

control spectator and commercial vessel movement within this confined area. Spectator craft are authorized to watch the race from any area as long as they remain outside the designated regulated area.

The proposed section will be effective annually on the second Saturday in August, between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. or as published in a Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. A rain date is established for the following Sunday during the same time period. In emergency situations, provisions may be made to establish safe escort by a Coast Guard or designated Coast Guard vessel for vessels requiring transit through the regulated area.

Regulatory Evaluation

This proposal is not a significant regulatory action under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that order. It has been exempted from review by the Office of Management and Budget under that order. It is not significant under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Transportation (DOT) (44 FR 11040; February 26, 1979). The Coast Guard expects the economic impact to be so minimal that a full Regulatory Evaluation, under paragraph 10e of the regulatory policies and procedures of DOT, is unnecessary. This conclusion is based on the limited duration of the race, the extensive advisories that will be made to the affected maritime community, and the minimal restrictions which the regulation places on vessel traffic.

Small Entities

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*), the Coast Guard must consider the economic impact on small entities of a rule for which a general notice of proposed rulemaking is required. "Small entities" may include (1) small businesses and not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields and (2) governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000.

For the reasons discussed in the Regulatory Evaluation, the Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this proposal will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Collection of Information

This proposal contains no collection of information requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Federalism

The Coast Guard has analyzed this proposal under the principles and criteria contained in Executive Order 12612 and has determined that this proposal does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

Environment

The Coast Guard has considered the environmental impacts of this proposal and concluded that, under paragraph 2.B.2.e.34(h) of COMDTINST 16475.1B, (as revised by 59 FR 38654, July 29, 1994) this proposal is a regulation issued in conjunction with an annually issued regatta or marine parade permit and is categorically excluded from further environmental documentation.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 100

Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Waterways.

Proposed Regulation

For the reasons set out in the preamble, the Coast Guard proposes to amend 33 CFR part 100 as follows:

1. The authority citation for Part 100 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1233; 49 CFR 1.46 and 33 CFR 100.35.

2. Section 100.114, is added to read as follows:

§ 100.114 Winter Harbor Lobster Boat Race, Winter Harbor, ME.

(a) *Regulated Area.* The regulated area includes all waters of Winter Harbor, ME, within the following points (NAD 83):

Latitude	Longitude
44°23'07" N.	068°04'52" W.
44°22'12" N.	068°04'52" W.
44°22'12" N.	068°05'08" W.
44°23'07" N.	068°05'08" W.

(b) *Special Local Regulations.* (1) The Coast Guard patrol commander may delay, modify, or cancel the race as conditions or circumstances require.

(2) No person or vessel may enter, transit, or remain in the regulated area unless participating in the event or unless authorized by the Coast Guard patrol commander.

(3) Vessels encountering emergencies which require transit through the regulated area should contact the Coast Guard patrol commander on VHF Channel 16. In the event of an emergency, the Coast Guard patrol commander may authorize a vessel to transit through the regulated area with a Coast Guard designated escort.

(4) All persons and vessels shall comply with the instructions of the Coast Guard on-scene patrol commander. On-scene patrol personnel include commissioned, warrant, and petty officers of the U.S. Coast Guard. Upon hearing five or more short blasts from a U.S. Coast Guard vessel, the operator of a vessel shall proceed as directed. Members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary may also be present to inform vessel operators of this regulation and other applicable laws.

(c) *Effective period.* This section is in effect from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. annually on the second Saturday in August, unless otherwise specified in a Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. In case of inclement weather, this section will be in effect the following Sunday at the same time, unless otherwise specified in a Coast Guard Notice to Mariners.

Dated: February 13, 1996.

J.L. Linnon,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard Commander, First Coast Guard District.

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[CGD 94-108]

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Electrical Engineering Requirements for Merchant Vessels

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: As a result of requests from a national trade association, the Coast Guard will hold a public meeting and extend the comment period for a proposed rule published on February 2, 1996, an additional 15 days beyond the original 45 day comment period on its proposed electrical engineering regulations for merchant vessels.

DATES: The meeting will be held March 25, 1996, and will begin at 9 a.m. Comments must be received on or before April 2, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in room 2230, Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590. Written comments may be mailed to the Executive Secretary, Marine Safety Council (G-LRA/3406) (CGD 94-108), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001 or may be delivered to room 3406 at the above address between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.,

Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (202) 267-1477.

The Executive Secretary maintains the public docket for this rulemaking. Comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at room 3406, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gerald P. Miente, Project Manager, Design and Engineering Standards Division (G-MMS), (202) 267-2206.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Proposed Electrical Engineering Regulations

As a part of the President's Regulatory Reinvention Initiative, the Coast Guard issued a notice of proposed rulemaking published on February 2, 1996 (61 FR 4132) to amend its current electrical engineering regulations to reduce the regulatory burden on the marine industry, purge obsolete and out-of-date regulations, and eliminate requirements that create an unwarranted differential between domestic and international standards. The proposed rulemaking would harmonize, where possible, the electrical engineering regulations with the recent amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended. Additionally, the proposed rulemaking would dramatically revise certain prescriptive electrical equipment design, specification, and approval requirements and replace them with performance-based requirements that incorporate international standards.

Public Meeting

A national trade association requested a public meeting to afford vessel and equipment designers, builders, and owners the opportunity to present comments in person and to let the project managers interact with the affected industry segments. The national trade association also indicated that

many of its vessel owners will be affected by these proposed electrical engineering regulations and have not had adequate time to fully evaluate their impact.

The Coast Guard will hold a public meeting on March 25, 1996. The public is invited to comment on the technological and economic feasibility of the proposed electrical engineering regulations.

Attendance is open to the public. With advance notice, and as time permits, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meeting. Persons wishing to make oral presentations should notify the person listed above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** no later than the day before the meeting. Written material may be submitted prior to, during, or after the meeting.

Extension of Comment Period

To accommodate the request for a public meeting, the Coast Guard is extending the comment period and holding a public meeting. Persons unable to attend the public meeting are encouraged to submit written comments. The comment period is extended until April 2, 1996.

Dated: February 20, 1996.
Joseph J. Angelo,
Director for Standards, Office of Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection.
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR PART 73

[MM Docket No. 91-151; RM-7557]

Television Broadcasting Services; Victoria and New Braunfels, TX

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: This document denies a proposal by KVCT(TV), Inc., former licensee of television Station KVCT, Channel 19, Victoria, Texas, proposing the reallocation of Channel 19 to New Braunfels, Texas, and modification of the Station KVCT license to specify New Braunfels as the community of license. See 56 FR 269681, June 12, 1991. With this action, the proceeding is terminated.

DATES: The proposed rule is withdrawn February 26, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Hayne, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2177.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's *Report and Order* in MM Docket No. 91-151, adopted January 25, 1996, and released February 16, 1996. The full text is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room 239), 1919 M Street, NW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1919 M Street, NW., Room 246, or 2100 M Street, NW., Suite 140, Washington, DC 20037.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Television broadcasting.

Federal Communications Commission.

John A. Karousos,

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