

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, contact Mr. Jorge Arroyo, Office of Vessel Traffic Management (G-MWV-1), Coast Guard, telephone (202) 267-6277, fax (202) 267-4826 or e-mail: jarroyo@comdt.uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Ms. Andrea M. Jenkins, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone (202) 366-0271.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation and Request for Comments

We encourage you to respond to our request for comments by submitting comments and related materials. All comments received will be posted, without change, to <http://dms.dot.gov> and will include any personal information you have provided. We have an agreement with the Department of Transportation (DOT) to use the Docket Management Facility. Please see DOT's "Privacy Act" three paragraphs below.

Submitting comments: If you submit a comment, please include your name and address, identify the docket number [USCG-2003-14878], indicate the specific question you are responding to, and give the reason for each comment. You may submit your comments and material by electronic means, mail, fax, or delivery to the Docket Management Facility at the address under **ADDRESSES**; but please submit your comments and material by only one means. If you submit them by mail or delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit them by mail and would like to know that they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

Viewing comments and documents: To view comments, as well as documents mentioned in this notice as being available in the docket, go to <http://dms.dot.gov> at any time and conduct a simple search using the docket number. You may also visit the Docket Management Facility in room PL-401 on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy Act: Anyone can search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may

review the Department of Transportation's Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477), or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Questions

In addition to the eight questions that will be the topic of the meetings, published in the **Federal Register** (http://dmses.dot.gov/docimages/pdf88/255517_web.pdf) on September 26, 2003 (68 FR 55643), we add the two following questions:

(9) Our final rule published in the **Federal Register** (http://dmses.dot.gov/docimages/pdf88/257425_web.pdf) on October 22, 2003 (68 FR 60559), specifically exempted fishing vessels and certain passenger vessels from AIS carriage requirements. Other than costs, are there any specific reasons—particularly regarding safety or security—that warrant these vessels being excluded from AIS carriage? In particular, describe why these vessels should be treated differently from other commercial vessels over 65 feet in length?

(10) Recognizing that the cost of AIS are not insignificant, and are deemed by various commenters as being unreasonable, at what cost point would AIS be reasonable or not impose an undue burden?

Public Meetings

The public meetings regarding this notice on the expansion of Automatic Identification System (AIS) carriage requirements for U.S. waters will be held, respectively—

- November 5, 2003, 9 a.m. to 12 a.m. (noon), at 8th Coast Guard District, Hale Boggs Federal Building, Room B100, 501 Magazine Street, New Orleans, LA 70130.

- November 13, 2003, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at New Bedford Whaling Museum, Museum Theater, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford, MA 02740-6398.

- December 9, 2003, 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., at 13th Coast Guard District, Federal Building, 915 Second Avenue, 4th Floor, Northern Auditorium, Seattle, WA 98174.

Dated: October 24, 2003.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[CGD08-03-044]

Lower Mississippi River Waterway Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Lower Mississippi River Waterway Safety Advisory Committee (LMRWSAC) will meet to discuss various issues relating to navigational safety on the Lower Mississippi River and related waterways. The meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The next meeting of LMRWSAC will be held on Tuesday, November 18, 2003, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. This meeting may adjourn early if all business is finished. Requests to make oral presentations or submit written materials for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard on or before November 12, 2003. Requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee in advance of the meeting should reach the Coast Guard on or before November 4, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Crescent City Room Suite 1830 at the World Trade Center Building, 2 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lieutenant (LT) Rick Paciorka, Committee Administrator, telephone (504) 589-4222, fax (504) 589-4241. Written materials and requests to make presentations should be mailed to Commanding Officer, Marine Safety Office New Orleans, Attn: LT Paciorka, 1615 Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA 70112.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Agenda of Meeting

Lower Mississippi River Waterway Safety Advisory Committee (LMRWSAC). The agenda includes the following:

- (1) Introduction of committee members.
- (2) Remarks by CAPT R. W. Branch, Executive Director.
- (3) Approval of the May 6, 2003 minutes.
- (4) Old Business:
 - (a) Captain of the Port status report.
 - (b) VTS update report.
 - (c) PORTS update report.
- (5) New Business.

- (6) Next meeting.
(7) Adjournment.

Procedural

The meeting is open to the public. Please note that the meeting may close early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meeting. If you would like to make an oral presentation at the meeting, please notify the Committee Administrator no later than November 12, 2003. Written material for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than November 12, 2003. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee in advance of the meeting, please submit 25 copies to the Committee Administrator no later than November 4, 2003.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities, or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact the Committee Administrator at the location indicated under **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.

Dated: October 22, 2003.

R.F. Duncan,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR 4819-N-04]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control Programs

AGENCY: Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement concerning the Notice of Funding Availability for Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Programs will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* December 29, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Gail Ward, Reports Liaison Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room P3206, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Matthew E. Ammon, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room P3206, Washington, DC 20410, telephone number (202) 755-1785 extension 158 (this is not a toll-free number). Hearing-or-speech-impaired persons may access the number above via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is submitting the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Title of Proposal: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control Programs.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2539-0015.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This information collection is required in conjunction with the issuance of NOFAs announcing the availability of approximately \$150,000,000 for Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control Programs. Grants are authorized under Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, Pub. L. 102-550, Section 1011 and other legislation.

Agency Form Numbers: None.

Members of Affected Public: Potential applicants include a State, tribal, local governments, not-for-profit institutions and for-profit firms located in the U.S.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:

Task	Number of respondents	Frequency of responses	Hours per response	Burden hours
Application Development	250	1	80	20000
Award of Grant	80	1	16	1280