

alternative vessel standards in Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC) 8–93.

While PMVs are not required to have COIs, in the past the Coast Guard has voluntarily inspected vessel designs that were in fact PMVs. As previously noted, the evolving nature of gaming vessels has resulted in PMVs that are more like a building than a vessel, and are physically restricted from navigating on waterways. In the face of this development, we must reiterate our policies with regard to PMVs and clarify our future intent toward these structures.

Maintaining a valid COI requires expenditure of both Coast Guard resources for inspections and vessel owner resources for complying with Coast Guard regulations. Whether they get underway or not, vessels with a U.S. Coast Guard COI must remain in full compliance with Coast Guard regulations.

Proposed Policy

Under our proposed policy, starting January 1, 2006, the Coast Guard will no longer issue COIs to PMVs and we will no longer inspect PMVs that currently have a COI.

The Coast Guard will notify all PMVs that currently have a COI and cognizant State and local authorities that this proposed policy would affect them. We have proposed the January 1, 2006 date for terminating inspections of these PMVs to allow for the transition of safety oversight from the Coast Guard to local authorities. By continuing our voluntary inspections through December 31, 2005, we provide PMV owners, with current COIs, time to arrange for inspections by state or local authorities to ensure their PMV is in compliance with state and local regulations that may be applicable in the absence of inspections by the Coast Guard.

Dated: June 10, 2004.

T.H. Gilmour,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA–1520–DR]

Indiana; Amendment No. 1 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Indiana (FEMA–1520–DR), dated June 3, 2004, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 11, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Indiana is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of June 3, 2004:

Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cass, Clinton, Dubois, Floyd, Fountain, Fulton, Gibson, Grant, Hamilton, Hancock, Harrison, Hendricks, Howard, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Lawrence, Martin, Montgomery, Morgan, Orange, Perry, Pike, Scott, Shelby, Spencer, Tippecanoe, Vanderburgh, Wabash, Warren, Warrick, and White Counties for Individual Assistance.

All counties in the State of Indiana are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. (The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individual and Household Housing; 97.049, Individual and Household Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individual and Household Program-Other Needs; 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

Michael D. Brown,

Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA–1521–DR]

Louisiana; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Louisiana (FEMA–1521–DR), dated June 8, 2004, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 8, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated June 8, 2004, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121–5206 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Louisiana, resulting from severe storms and flooding on May 12–19, 2004, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121–5206 (the Stafford Act). I, therefore, declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Louisiana.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes, such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Individual Assistance and Hazard Mitigation in the designated areas, and any other forms of assistance under the Stafford Act you may deem appropriate. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Hazard Mitigation and the Other Needs Assistance under Section 408 of the Stafford Act will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. If Public Assistance is later requested and warranted, Federal funds provided under that program will also be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The time period prescribed for the implementation of section 310(a), Priority to Certain Applications for Public Facility and Public Housing Assistance, 42 U.S.C. 5153, shall be for

a period not to exceed six months after the date of this declaration.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Under Secretary for Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Peter Martinasco, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of Louisiana to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

Acadia, Iberville, Lafayette, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Landry, St. Martin, and West Baton Rouge Parishes for Individual Assistance.

Acadia, Iberville, Lafayette, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Landry, St. Martin, and West Baton Rouge Parishes in the State of Louisiana are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individual and Household Housing; 97.049, Individual and Household Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individual and Household Program-Other Needs, 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

Michael D. Brown,

Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1515-DR]

North Dakota; Amendment No. 1 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of North Dakota (FEMA-1515-DR), dated May 5, 2004, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 9, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of North Dakota is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of May 5, 2004:

Bottineau, Burke, Mountrail, Renville, Towner, and Ward Counties for Public Assistance. All counties and the Tribal Reservations of the Three Affiliated Tribes, Spirit Lake Tribe, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe (that portion of the reservation that lies within the State of North Dakota), and the Turtle Mountain Band of the Chippewa in the State of North Dakota are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individual and Household Housing; 97.049, Individual and Household Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050, Individual and Household Program-Other Needs, 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

Michael D. Brown,

Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket No. FEMA-REP-10-WA-1]

Washington Emergency Preparedness and Response Plans for the Columbia Generating Station

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Finding and Determination.

SUMMARY: FEMA gives notice of approval of the State of Washington and local Radiological Emergency Preparedness and Response Plans

specific to the Columbia Generating Station site.

DATES: This certification and approval are effective as of April 28, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Regional Director, FEMA Region X, 130 228th Street, SW., Bothell, WA 98021-9796. Please refer to Docket No. FEMA-REP-10-WA-1.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

In accordance with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regulations, 44 CFR part 350, the State of Washington originally submitted the Emergency Response and Preparedness Plans specific to the Columbia Generating Station site, located in Benton County, Washington, to the Regional Director of FEMA Region X for review and approval on June 12, 2002. During the review of the site-specific offsite Radiological Emergency Preparedness and Response Plans, the FEMA Region X Regional Assistance Committee identified several planning issues which required correction prior to a recommendation of formal plan approval under 44 CFR part 350. During the FEMA Headquarters review process, several issues were identified which were referred back to FEMA Region X for clarification. Subsequently, on January 23, 2004, the FEMA Region X Director forwarded his evaluation of the offsite Radiological Emergency Preparedness and Response Plans and a recommendation for formal approval, in accordance with Section 350.11 of FEMA's regulations. Included in this evaluation was a review of the Columbia Generating Station's offsite radiological emergency preparedness exercise conducted September 17-18, 2003, in accordance with 44 CFR 350.9 of FEMA regulations, and a report of the Public Meeting conducted on September 15, 2000, in accordance with 44 CFR 350.10 of FEMA's regulations.

Based on the evaluation and recommendation for approval by the FEMA Region X Director and the review by the headquarters staff, in accordance with 44 CFR 350.12 of FEMA's regulations, I find and determine that the State of Washington and local Radiological Emergency Preparedness and Response Plans specific to the Columbia Generating Station site are adequate to protect the health and safety of the public living in the vicinity of the site by providing reasonable assurance that appropriate protective measures can be taken offsite in the event of a radiological emergency and that the plans are capable of being implemented.

On June 17, 1994, FEMA previously approved the prompt alert and notification system installed and