

- Encouraging developers of alternative test methods and testing strategies for skin sensitization to discuss their projects with ICCVAM and NICEATM to facilitate refinement of the methods to meet U.S. regulatory needs.

- Communicating information about the availability of funding or other resources to stakeholders that are developing alternative test methods and testing strategies for skin sensitization.
- Conducting, cosponsoring, and/or participating in workshops to review the state of the science and soliciting or providing input for future activities on development and validation of test methods and testing strategies for skin sensitization.

*Request for Comments:* ICCVAM invites its stakeholders to consider the proposed activities identified above and provide comment on the following:

- The role that ICCVAM should play in the development and evaluation of alternative skin sensitization test methods and testing strategies.
- The potential contributions that regulated industries, nongovernment organizations, or other interested parties might make toward these efforts.

*Request for Information:* As noted above, ICCVAM is developing plans to augment and support activities that will advance the state of the science for alternative skin sensitization test methods and testing strategies. As part of this process, ICCVAM is interested in receiving information on the state of the science regarding alternative test methods and testing strategies for skin sensitization and about activities of which ICCVAM may not be aware.

*Input Received:* Information and comments in response to this notice can be submitted by email ([niceatm@niehs.nih.gov](mailto:niceatm@niehs.nih.gov)). Persons should include their name, affiliation (if applicable), mailing address, telephone, email, and sponsoring organization (if any) with their communications. The deadline for receipt of the requested information is December 9, 2013. Responses to this notice will be posted on the NTP Web site (<http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/40498>) and persons submitting them will be identified by name and affiliation or sponsoring organization, if applicable. During development of its plan for advancing alternative skin sensitization test methods and testing strategies, ICCVAM will carefully consider the information and comments received in response to this notice and will also consult with ICATM partners and the OECD.

Responses to this request are voluntary. No proprietary, classified, confidential, or sensitive information should be included in responses. This

request for input is for planning purposes only and is not a solicitation for applications or an obligation on the part of the U.S. Government to provide support for any ideas identified in response to the request. Please note that the U.S. Government will not pay for the preparation of any information submitted or for its use of that information.

*Background Information on ICCVAM and NICEATM:* ICCVAM is an interagency committee composed of representatives from 15 Federal regulatory and research agencies that require, use, generate, or disseminate toxicological and safety testing information. ICCVAM conducts technical evaluations of new, revised, and alternative safety testing methods and integrated testing strategies with regulatory applicability. ICCVAM also works to promote the scientific validation and regulatory acceptance of testing methods that more accurately assess the safety and hazards of chemicals and products and that replace, reduce, or refine (enhance animal well-being and lessen or avoid pain and distress) animal use. NICEATM provides scientific and operational support for ICCVAM and conducts independent validation studies and other activities to assess the usefulness and limitations of new, revised, and alternative test methods and strategies. ICCVAM and NICEATM welcome the public nomination of new, revised, and alternative test methods and strategies for validation studies and technical evaluations. Additional information about NICEATM and ICCVAM can be found on the NTP Web site at <http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/niceatm> and <http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/iccvam>.

The ICCVAM Authorization Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 285–3) provides the authority for ICCVAM and NICEATM involvement in activities relevant to the development of alternative test methods. The ICCVAM Authorization Act established ICCVAM as a permanent interagency committee of the NIEHS under NICEATM. As stated in the ICCVAM Authorization Act, ICCVAM acts to ensure that new and revised test methods are validated to meet the needs of Federal agencies, increase the efficiency and effectiveness and Federal agency test method review, and optimize utilization of scientific expertise outside the Federal Government.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG–2013–0194]

### Navigation Safety Advisory Council

**AGENCY:** United States Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Navigation Safety Advisory Council (NAVSAC) will meet December 3–4, 2013, in Portsmouth, Virginia to discuss matters relating to maritime collisions, ramming, groundings; Inland and International Rules of the Road; navigation regulations and equipment; routing measures; marine information; diving safety; and aids to navigation systems. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** NAVSAC will meet Tuesday, December 3, 2013, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Wednesday, December 4, 2013, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please note that the meeting may close early if the Council has completed its business. Written comments are due by November 26, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Renaissance Portsmouth Hotel and Convention Center, 425 Waters Street, Portsmouth, Virginia 23704. For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact Mr. Burt Lahn listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below as soon as possible.

To facilitate public participation, we are inviting public comment on the issues to be considered by the council prior to the formulation of recommendations as listed in the “Agenda” section below.

You may submit written comments no later than November 26, 2013, and must

be identified by USCG–2013–0194 using one of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments (preferred method to avoid delays in processing). Simply enter “USCG–2013–0194” in the “SEARCH” field, click on <SEARCH>, then click on <COMMENT NOW> next to the Meeting Announcement.

- **Fax:** 202–493–2251.

- **Mail:** Docket Management Facility (M–30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

- **Hand Delivery:** Same as mail address above, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202–366–9329.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the words “Department of Homeland Security” and the docket number for this action. Comments received will be posted without alteration at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. You may review a Privacy Act notice regarding our public dockets in the January 17, 2008, issue of the **Federal Register** (73 FR 3316).

**Docket:** For access to the docket to read documents or comments related to this notice, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Simply enter “USCG–2013–0194” in the “SEARCH” field, click on <SEARCH>, click on <Open Docket Folder> next to the Meeting Announcement, then click on the title of any comment you wish to review.

A public comment period will be held during the meeting on December 3, 2013, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and December 4, 2013, from 11:00 a.m. until the close of the meeting. Public presentations may also be given. Speakers are requested to limit their presentation and comments to 10 minutes. Please note that the public comment period may end before the time indicated, following the last call for comments. To register as a speaker, contact Mr. Burt Lahn listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions about this meeting, please contact Mr. Mike Sollosi, the NAVSAC Alternate Designated Federal Officer (ADFO), by telephone at 202–372–1545 or via email at [mike.m.sollosi@uscg.mil](mailto:mike.m.sollosi@uscg.mil); or Mr. Burt Lahn, NAVSAC meeting coordinator, at telephone 202–372–1526 or email

[burt.a.lahn@uscg.mil](mailto:burt.a.lahn@uscg.mil). If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Barbara Hairston, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of this meeting is given under the *Federal Advisory Committee Act* (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Appendix (Pub. L. 92–463).

The NAVSAC is an advisory council authorized by 33 U.S.C. 2073 and chartered under the provisions of the FACA. NAVSAC provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Homeland Security, through the Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, on matters relating to prevention of maritime collisions, rammings, and groundings; Inland and International Rules of the Road; navigation regulations and equipment; routing measures; marine information; diving safety; and aids to navigation systems.

The meeting will be held at the Renaissance Portsmouth Hotel and Convention Center, 425 Waters Street, Portsmouth, Virginia 23704. [https://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&source=s\\_q&hl=en&geocode=&q=425+water+st+portsmouth+va&aq=&vps=1&jsv=466g&sll=37.857507,95.625&sspn=36.699081,78.837891&vpsrc=3&t=h&ie=UTF8&ct=clnk&cd=1&spell=1](https://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&source=s_q&hl=en&geocode=&q=425+water+st+portsmouth+va&aq=&vps=1&jsv=466g&sll=37.857507,95.625&sspn=36.699081,78.837891&vpsrc=3&t=h&ie=UTF8&ct=clnk&cd=1&spell=1).

**Agenda:** The NAVSAC will meet to review, discuss and formulate recommendations on the following topics:

#### **Tuesday, December 3, 2013**

(1) Risk assessment updates. At the April 2013 Council meeting the Coast Guard provided an overview of ongoing risk assessments for several U.S. ports/ waterways. The Council will receive an updated brief on the status of the risk assessments and the progress made since the April 2013 meeting.

(2) E-Navigation Strategy. The Council will receive an updated brief on activities of the Committee on the Marine Transportation System, and progress made on the development of the National E-Navigation Strategy.

(3) Atlantic Coast Ports Access Route Study (ACPARS).

The Council will receive an update on the ACPARS undertaken to accommodate offshore wind energy development. The update will include a presentation on what activities are currently in progress, and those expected to commence in calendar year 2014.

(4) Navigation Rules Regulatory Project. The Council will receive an update on the Coast Guard’s progress toward implementing NAVSAC

proposed changes to the Inland Navigation Rules.

(5) Electronic Charts and Publications. The Council will receive an update on recent changes announced by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Office of Coast Survey, to the printing and distribution of paper nautical charts and publications.

Following the above presentations, the Council will form working groups to discuss and provide recommendations on the following tasks as appropriate:

(1) NAVSAC Task 12–03—Unmanned vehicles/vessels (UV). The Council was asked to review current UV standards of operation, consider whether the latest generation of these vessels should employ AIS, and propose additional rules/standards of operation for both unmanned underwater vehicles, and unmanned surface vessels. NAVSAC previously discussed this task at both the November 2012 meeting and the April 2013 meeting. At the conclusion of the April 2013 meeting NAVSAC agreed to continue discussions and deliberations at the fall 2013 meeting. The Council will be asked to continue discussions on this task and provide a Resolution that includes recommendations for rules/standards of operation for unmanned surface vessels.

(2) NAVSAC Task 13–02—Discussion of vessel crossing situations outlined in the Inland Navigation Rules, 33 CFR 83.15(b). The Council will be asked to begin discussions and provide recommendations on amending Rule 15(b), including what impacts any proposed amendments may have on vessels crossing situations on the western rivers system.

(3) NAVSAC Task 13–03—Continued use of Dayshapes to indicate status. The Council will be asked to begin discussions and provide recommendations on the continued display of Dayshapes for vessels as required by 33 CFR subpart C of the Inland Navigation Rules.

Public comments or questions will be taken during the meeting after the Council discusses each issue and prior to the Council formulating recommendations on each issue. There will also be a public comment period at the end of the meeting.

#### **Wednesday, December 4, 2013**

(1) Working Group Discussions continued from December 3, 2013.

(2) Working Group Reports presented to the Council.

(3) New Business:

a. Summary of NAVSAC Action Items.

b. Schedule Next Meeting Date—Spring 2014.

c. Council discussions and summary of new tasks and pending action items. A public comment period will be held after the discussion of new tasks. Speakers' comments are limited to 10 minutes each. Public comments or questions may also be taken during the discussion and recommendations, and new business portions of the meeting.

Dated: November 5, 2013.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement

[Docket ID BSEE-2013-0004; OMB Number 1014-0004; 134E1700D2 EEEE500000 ET1SF0000.DAQ000]

#### Information Collection Activities: Oil and Gas Well-Completion Operations; Submitted for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request

**ACTION:** 30-Day notice.

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we have submitted to OMB an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements in the regulations under Subpart E, *Oil and Gas Well Completion Operations*. This notice also provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the revised paperwork burden of these regulatory requirements.

**DATES:** You must submit comments by December 13, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments by either fax (202) 395-5806 or email ([OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov)) directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (1014-0004). Please provide a copy of your comments to Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) by any of the means below.

- Electronically: go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the Search box, enter BSEE-2013-0004 then click search. Follow the instructions to submit public comments and view all related materials. We will post all comments.

- Email [nicole.mason@bsee.gov](mailto:nicole.mason@bsee.gov) or [cheryl.blundon@mms.gov](mailto:cheryl.blundon@mms.gov), fax (703) 787-1546, or mail or hand-carry comments to: Department of

the Interior; Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement; Regulations and Standards Branch; Attention: Nicole Mason; 381 Elden Street, HE3313; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. Please reference 1014-0004 in your comment and include your name and return address.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nicole Mason, Regulations and Standards Branch, (703) 787-1605, to request additional information about this ICR. To see a copy of the entire ICR submitted to OMB, go to <http://www.reginfo.gov> (select Information Collection Review, Currently Under Review).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* 30 CFR 250, Subpart E, Oil and Gas Well-Completion Operations.

*OMB Control Number:* 1014-0004.

*Abstract:* The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.* and 43 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to prescribe rules and regulations necessary for the administration of the leasing provisions of that Act related to mineral resources on the OCS. Such rules and regulations will apply to all operations conducted under a lease, right-of-way, or a right-of-use and easement. Operations on the OCS must preserve, protect, and develop oil and gas resources in the OCS in a manner that is consistent with the need to make such resources available to meet the Nation's energy needs as rapidly as possible; balance orderly energy resources development with protection of the human, marine, and coastal environment; ensure the public a fair and equitable return on OCS resources; and preserve and maintain free enterprise competition.

In addition to the general rulemaking authority of the OCSLA at 43 U.S.C. 1334, section 301(a) of the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act (FOGRMA), 30 U.S.C. 1751(a), grants authority to the Secretary to prescribe such rules and regulations as are reasonably necessary to carry out FOGRMA's provisions. While the majority of FOGRMA is directed to royalty collection and enforcement, some provisions apply to offshore operations. For example, section 108 of FOGRMA, 30 U.S.C. 1718, grants the Secretary broad authority to inspect lease sites for the purpose of determining whether there is compliance with the mineral leasing laws. Section 109(c)(2) and (d)(1), 30 U.S.C. 1719(c)(2) and (d)(1), impose substantial civil penalties for failure to permit lawful inspections and for knowing or willful preparation or

submission of false, inaccurate, or misleading reports, records, or other information. Because the Secretary has delegated some of the authority under FOGRMA to BSEE, 30 U.S.C. 1751 is included as additional authority for these requirements.

These authorities and responsibilities are among those delegated to BSEE. The regulations at 30 CFR part 250, subpart E, concern oil and gas well-completion operations and are the subject of this collection. This request also covers the related Notices to Lessees and Operators (NLTs) that BSEE issues to clarify, supplement, or provide additional guidance on some aspects of our regulations.

The BSEE analyzes and evaluates the information and data collected to ensure that planned well-completion operations will protect personnel and natural resources. They use the analysis and evaluation results in the decision to approve, disapprove, or require modification to the proposed well-completion operations. Specifically, BSEE uses the information to ensure (a) compliance with personnel safety training requirements; (b) crown block safety device is operating and can be expected to function to avoid accidents; (c) proposed operation of the annular preventer is technically correct and provides adequate protection for personnel, property, and natural resources; (d) well-completion operations are conducted on well casings that are structurally competent; and (e) sustained casing pressures are within acceptable limits.

Most responses are mandatory; while others are to obtain or retain benefits. The BSEE will protect proprietary information according to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and its implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2); 30 CFR 250.197, *Data and information to be made available to the public or for limited inspection*; and 30 CFR part 252, *OCS Oil and Gas Information Program*.

*Frequency:* Weekly, monthly, biennially, and vary by section.

*Description of Respondents:* Potential respondents comprise Federal oil, gas, or sulphur lessees and/or operators, and holders of pipeline rights-of-way.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* The estimated annual hour burden for this information collection is a total of 40,183 hours. The following chart details the individual components and estimated hour burdens. In calculating the burdens, we assumed that respondents perform certain requirements in the normal course of their activities. We consider these to be