

12:45 p.m.–1 p.m. Public comment period.

1 p.m.–2 p.m. MERPAC vote on recommendations for the Coast Guard.
2 p.m. Adjourn.

This tentative agenda is subject to change and the meeting may adjourn early if all committee business has been completed.

Public Participation

The Chairman of MERPAC is empowered to conduct the teleconference in a way that will, in his judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. During its teleconference, the committee welcomes public comment. The committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties, including the public. Written comments may be submitted to CAPT Lorne Thomas, Executive Director, MERPAC, Commandant (CG–3PSO), 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington DC 20593–0001.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact Mr. Gould as soon as possible.

Dated: March 30, 2007.

J. G. Lantz,

Director of National and International Standards, Assistant Commandant for Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG–2007–27752]

Towing Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Towing Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC) and its working groups will meet as required to discuss various issues relating to shallow-draft inland and coastal waterway navigation and towing safety. All meetings will be open to the public.

DATES: The working groups will meet on Tuesday, April 24, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. TSAC will meet on, Wednesday, April 25, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. These meetings may close early if all business is finished. Written material for and requests to make oral presentations at the meetings should reach the Coast Guard on or before April 13, 2007.

Requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the Committee or working groups prior to the meetings should reach the Coast Guard on or before April 13, 2007.

ADDRESSES: TSAC will meet in the Newberry Auditorium of the Calhoon MEBA Engineering School; 27050 Saint Michaels Road; Easton, MD 21601. Accommodations for the public are available in the nearby town of Easton, MD. Visit the school's Web site at <http://www.mebaschool.org/> for maps and directions. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to the Committee's Assistant Executive Director in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below. This notice and related documents are available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov> under the docket number USCG–2007–27752.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gerald P. Mianta, Assistant Executive Director, TSAC; U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, CG–3PSO–1, Room 1210; 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593–0001. Telephone (202) 372–1401, fax (202) 372–1926, or e-mail at: Gerald.P.Mianta@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2 (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770, as amended).

Agenda of Committee Meeting

The agenda tentatively includes the following items:

- (1) Comprehensive Report of the Towing Vessel Inspection Working Group;
- (2) Status Report of the Licensing Implementation Working Group: an Approved Model Training Program for Wheelhouse Personnel;
- (3) Update from the Working Group on Lessons Learned from the Review of the AV KASTNER/BUCHANAN 14/SWIFT Collision and the MV WALLY ROLLER Incident;
- (4) Report on the Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC) Rulemaking;
- (5) Report on the STCW Rulemaking;
- (6) Update on Training and Service Requirements for Merchant Marine Officers;
- (7) Request for Info re: Use of Weather Fax and USCG HF Voice Broadcast;
- (8) Update on a Legislative Change Proposal (LCP) and the Medical Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC);
- (9) Update on the National Maritime Center (NMC) Restructuring/Centralization;
- (10) Presentation on DHS National Small-Vessel Security Summit;
- (11) Report of the Working Group on Voyage Planning; and

(12) Update on Commercial/Recreational Boating Interface.

Procedural

All meetings are open to the public. Please note that the meetings may close early if all business is finished. Members of the public may make oral presentations during the meetings. If you would like to make an oral presentation at a meeting, please notify the Assistant Executive Director no later than April 13, 2007. Written material for distribution at a meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than April 13, 2007. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the Committee or Working Groups in advance of a meeting, please submit 20 copies to the Assistant Executive Director no later than April 9, 2007. You may also submit this material electronically to the e-mail address in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** no later than April 13, 2007. Also, at the Chair's discretion, members of the public may present comment at the end of the Public Meeting. Please understand that the Committee's schedule may be quite demanding and time for public comment may be limited.

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Dated: March 29, 2007.

J.G. Lantz,

Director of National and International Standards, Assistant Commandant for Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: 60-day notice of information collection under review: Memorandum of Understanding to Participate in the Basic Pilot Employment Eligibility Program; Verify Employment Eligibility Status; OMB Control No. 1615–0092.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and

Immigration Services (USCIS), has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until June 4, 2007.

Written comments and suggestions regarding items contained in this notice, and especially with regard to the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Chief, Regulatory Management Division, Clearance Office, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., 3rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-8352, or via e-mail at rfs.regs@dhs.gov. When submitting comments by e-mail, add the OMB Control Number 1615-0092 in the subject box.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(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 agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(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, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Memorandum of Understanding to Participate in the Basic Pilot Employment Eligibility Program; Verify Employment Eligibility Status.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security*

sponsoring the collection: No Agency Form Number; File OMB-18. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Business or other for profit. The Basic Pilot Program allows employers to electronically verify the employment eligibility status of newly hired employees.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 40,000 MOU's at 2.333 (2 hours and 20 minutes) per response; 40,000 employers registering to participate in the program at .166 (10 minutes) per response; 4,000,000 initial queries at .05 (3 minutes) per response; 40,000 secondary queries at .333 (20 minutes) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 313,279 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please contact Richard A. Sloan, Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., 3rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529; 202-272-8377.

Dated: April 2, 2007.

Stephen Tarragon,

Deputy Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5030-N-30]

Announcement of Funding Awards for Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency Elderly/Persons With Disabilities Program for Fiscal Year 2006

AGENCY: Office of Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Announcement of funding awards.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this announcement notifies the public of funding decisions made by the Department for funding under the FY 2006 (FY2006) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency Elderly/Persons with

Disabilities Program funding for FY2006. This announcement contains the consolidated names and addresses of those award recipients selected for funding based on the rating and ranking of all applications and the allocation of funding available for each state.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions concerning the FY2006 ROSS Elderly/Persons With Disabilities awards, contact the Office of Public and Indian Housing's Grants Management Center, Director, Iredia Hutchinson, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, DC, telephone (202) 358-0221. For the hearing or speech impaired, these numbers may be accessed via TTY (text telephone) by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. (Other than the "800" TTY number, these telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The authority for the \$10,000,000 in one-year budget authority for ROSS Elderly/Persons with Disabilities program coordinators is found in the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2004 (Pub. L. 108). The allocation of housing assistance budget authority is pursuant to the provisions of 24 CFR 791, subpart D, implementing section 213 (d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

This program is intended to promote the development of local strategies to coordinate the use of assistance under the ROSS program with public and private resources to enable participating families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency. A Public and Indian Housing Program Coordinator assures that program participants are linked to the supportive services they need to achieve self-sufficiency.

The FY2006 awards announced in this Notice were selected for funding in a competition announced in a **Federal Register** NOFA published on March 8, 2006 (71 FR 11913). Applications were scored based on the selection criteria in that Notice and funding selections made based on the rating and ranking of applications within each state.

In accordance with Section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (103 Stat. 1987, 42 U.S.C. 3545), the Department is publishing the names, addresses, and amounts of the 33 awards made under the ROSS Elderly/Persons with Disabilities Program competition.