

border through growth of both numbers of employees and physical capacity at the nation's land, air, and sea ports of entry; (3) implementing changes to the immigration and border management processes through technological enhancements that would allow eligibility and risk assessments to be made primarily overseas; and/or (4) a combination of approaches 2 and 3. Due to the national scope of this Draft PEA, the environmental impacts of implementing any of these approaches could occur within virtually every ecosystem in the United States. The Draft PEA is a qualitative assessment that provides information on the potential for significant environmental impacts from each of these four strategies that will be used to inform further policy and strategy development and future implementation of the proposed changes. This analysis provides results that will be used to focus any future environmental impact analyses on the most important resources of concern. The Draft PEA found that the resource areas most likely to be impacted by these changes are air quality and socioeconomics. The Draft PEA is being issued and made available to the public in accordance with the provisions of the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). This Notice also announces that US-VISIT will conduct public meetings in February and March 2006 at seven locations in the United States, at which US-VISIT will invite the public to comment on information and analyses in the Draft PEA. The Draft PEA is available in English and Spanish. US-VISIT has made the Draft PEA widely available by distributing it (or a notice of its availability) to many interested parties, local and national newspapers, local libraries, and by posting it on the Internet. US-VISIT intends to issue subsequent Notices.

The dates and locations of all public meetings will be publicized no less than one week in advance in local news media in communities where the meetings will be held. Dates and locations are as follows: Miami, FL, McDonald Center, Rooms 1, 2, and 3 (Feb. 21); Buffalo, NY, Buffalo State College, Sport Arena Lobby Area (Feb. 23); Detroit, MI, Coleman A. Young Recreation Center, Multi-Purpose Room (Feb. 23); Tucson, AZ, Pima Community College, Amethyst Community Room, Building CC180 (Feb. 28); and El Paso, TX, El Paso High School (Feb. 28); Seattle/Bellingham, WA, Bellingham High School Commons Area (Mar. 2);

San Diego/San Ysidro, CA, Southwestern Community College Student Center, East (Mar. 2).

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2005-23167]

Collection of Information Under Review by Office of Management and Budget (OMB): 1625-0097, 1625-0103, and 1625-0104

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this request for comments announces that the Coast Guard has forwarded three Information Collection Requests (ICRs), abstracted below, to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICRs are as follows: (1) 1625-0097, Plan Approval and Records for Marine Engineering Systems—46 CFR Subchapter F; (2) 1625-0103, Mandatory Ship Reporting System for the Northeast and Southeast Coasts of the United States; (3) 1625-0104, Barges Carrying Bulk Hazardous Materials. The ICRs describe information we seek to collect from the public. Review and comment by OIRA ensures that we impose only paperwork burdens commensurate with our performance of duties.

DATES: Please submit comments on or before March 20, 2006.

ADDRESSES: To make sure that your comments and related material do not reach the docket [USCG-2005-23167] or OIRA more than once, please submit them by only one of the following means:

(1)(a) By mail to the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. (b) By mail to OIRA, 725 17th St., NW., Washington, DC 20503, to the attention of the Desk Officer for the Coast Guard.

(2)(a) By delivery to room PL-401 at the address given in paragraph (1)(a)

above, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (202) 366-9329. (b) By delivery to OIRA, at the address given in paragraph (1)(b) above, to the attention of the Desk Officer for the Coast Guard.

(3) By fax to (a) the Facility at (202) 493-2298 and (b) OIRA at (202) 395-6566, or e-mail to OIRA at oiradocket@omb.eop.gov attention: Desk Officer for the Coast Guard.

(4)(a) Electronically through the Web site for the Docket Management System (DMS) at <http://dms.dot.gov>. (b) OIRA does not have a Web site on which you can post your comments.

The Docket Management Facility maintains the public docket for this notice. Comments and material received from the public, as well as documents mentioned in this notice as being available in the docket, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at 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. You may also find this docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Copies of the complete ICRs are available through this docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>, and also from Commandant (CG-611), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, room 1236 (Attn: Mr. Arthur Requina), 1900 Half Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The telephone number is (202) 475-3523.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Arthur Requina, Office of Information Management, telephone (202) 475-3523 or fax (202) 475-3929, for questions on these documents; or telephone Ms. Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, 202-493-0402, for questions on the docket.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard invites comments on the proposed collections of information to determine whether the collections are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department. In particular, the Coast Guard would appreciate comments addressing: (1) The practical utility of the collections; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden of the collections; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information that is the subject of the collections; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of collections on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments to DMS or OIRA must contain the OMB Control Number of the ICR addressed. Comments to DMS must

contain the docket number of this request, [USCG 2005–23167]. For your comments to OIRA to be considered, it is best if OIRA receives them on or before March 20, 2006.

Public participation and request for comments: We encourage you to respond to this request for comments by submitting comments and related materials. We will post all comments received, without change, to <http://dms.dot.gov>, and they will include any personal information you have provided. We have an agreement with DOT to use their Docket Management Facility. Please see the paragraph on DOT's Privacy Act Policy below.

Submitting comments: If you submit a comment, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this request for comment [USCG–2005–23167], indicate the specific section of this document or the ICR to which each comment applies, 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 them 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.

The Coast Guard and OIRA will consider all comments and material received during the comment period. We may change the documents supporting this collection of information or even the underlying requirements in view of them.

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

Previous Request for Comments

This request provides a 30-day comment period required by OIRA. The Coast Guard has already published the 60-day notice (70 FR 73019, December 8, 2005) required by 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2). That notice elicited no comment.

Information Collection Request

1. **Title:** Plan Approval and Records for Marine Engineering Systems—46 CFR Subchapter F.

OMB Control Number: 1625–0097.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Owners and builders of commercial vessels.

Forms: No forms associated with this collection.

Abstract: This collection of information requires an owner or builder of a commercial vessel to submit to the U.S. Coast Guard for review and approval, plans pertaining to marine engineering systems to ensure that the vessel will meet regulatory standards.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden has increased from 3,090 hours to 3,567 hours a year.

2. **Title:** Mandatory Ship Reporting System for the Northeast and Southeast Coasts of the United States.

OMB Control Number: 1625–0103.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Operators of certain vessels.

Forms: No forms associated with this collection.

Abstract: The information is needed to reduce the number of ship collisions with endangered northern right whales. The rules establish two mandatory ship-reporting systems off the northeast and southeast coasts of the United States.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden has increased from 88 hours to 226 hours a year.

3. **Title:** Barges Carrying Bulk Hazardous Materials.

OMB Control Number: 1625–0104.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Owners and operators of tank barges.

Forms: No forms associated with this collection.

Abstract: This information is needed to ensure the safe shipment of bulk hazardous liquids in barges. The requirements are necessary to ensure that barges meet safety standards and to ensure that barges' crewmembers have the information necessary to operate barges safely.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden has increased from 10,903 hours to 13,255 hours a year.

Dated: February 10, 2006.

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Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Assistant Commandant for Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Information Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a proposed continuing information collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning the Application for Community Disaster Loans Program/Special Community Disaster Loans Program.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Community Disaster Loan Program, (CDL) is authorized by Section 417 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93–288, as amended, provides policies and procedures for local governments and State and Federal officials concerning the Community Disaster Loan program; FEMA regulations 44 CFR, Part 206, Subpart K, implements the statutes. DAP–5, Community Disaster Loan Handbook, promulgates FEMA's policies and procedures to State and local officials. The Division Director may make a CDL to any local government which has suffered a substantial loss of tax or other revenues as a result of a major disaster or emergency and which demonstrates a need for Federal financial assistance in order to perform its governmental functions.

In response to the disaster caused by Hurricane Katrina, Congress passed the Community Disaster Loan Act of 2005, Pub. L. 109–88, which authorizes FEMA to transfer \$750 million from the funds appropriated in the Second Emergency