

ADDRESSES: Both the SPEA and FONSI are available for review or copying at the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between the hours 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202-366-9329. The documents may also be viewed on the Internet at Web address: <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, the proposed project, the Supplemental Program Environmental Assessment, or the Finding of No Significant Impact, call Ms. Donna M. Meyer, Environmental Program Manager, National Distress and Response System Modernization Project, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, at 202-267-1496. For questions on viewing material in the docket, call Ms. Dorothy Beard, Chief, Dockets, Department of Transportation, at 202-366-5149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and the Council on Environmental Quality's Regulations for Implementing NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), the Coast Guard is announcing that it has approved its Supplemental Program Environmental Assessment (SPEA) and has made available its Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed modernization of the National Distress and Response System (NDRS) known as "Rescue 21."

Supplemental Program Environmental Assessment

The Coast Guard prepared an SPEA that assessed the impacts of the no action alternative and three action alternatives that could meet the system requirements for modernizing the National Distress and Response System (NDRS). On September 30, 2002, we published a notice of availability of the SPEA in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 61372). We also circulated 183 copies of the SPEA to interested persons. During the comment period, September 27, 2002, to October 28, 2002, a total of 18 comment letters were received. We reviewed the comments but they revealed no new or additional environmental information.

Finding of No Significant Impact

After considering the comments received during the review and comment period, the Coast Guard issued a Finding of No Significant Impact as a result of modernizing the National

Distress and Response System. The modernization of the NDRS will utilize a combination of all three of the action alternatives analyzed in the SPEA by using existing antenna towers, leasing antenna space from a service provider, or constructing a new antenna tower site.

The purpose of this notice is to inform local, State, and Federal government agencies and the public that the Supplemental PEA and FONSI are available for review.

Dated: November 12, 2002.

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RAADM, U.S. Coast Guard, Assistant Commandant for Acquisitions.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

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Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Subcommittee of the Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) on Hazardous Cargo Security will meet to discuss security issues as they relate to the marine transportation of chemicals. This meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The Subcommittee will meet on Wednesday, December 4, 2002, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursday, December 5, 2002, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. This 2-day meeting may close early if all business is finished. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before November 27, 2002. Requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the Subcommittee should reach the Coast Guard on or before November 27, 2002.

ADDRESSES: The Subcommittee will meet at American Commercial Barge Line (ACBL) Company, 1701 E. Market St., Jeffersonville, Indiana. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Lieutenant Richard Teubner, Coast Guard Technical Representative for the Subcommittee, Commandant (G-MPS-2), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. This notice is available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lieutenant Richard Teubner, the Coast Guard Technical Representative for the

Subcommittee, telephone 202-267-4129, fax 202-267-4130.

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

Agenda of Meeting

The agenda of the 2-day meeting of the CTAC Subcommittee on Hazardous Cargo Security includes the following:

- (1) Introduce subcommittee members and attendees.
- (2) Review subcommittee tasking and desired outcome.
- (3) Discuss ways to increase marine security awareness within the chemical transportation industry.
- (4) Discuss ways to identify cargoes that warrant concern and establish a means to create secure transit environments for such cargoes.

Procedural

This meeting is open to the public. Please note that the meeting may close early if all business is finished. At the discretion of the Subcommittee Chair, 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 Coast Guard Technical Representative for the Subcommittee and submit written material on or before November 27, 2002. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the Subcommittee in advance of the meeting, please submit 25 copies to the Coast Guard Technical Representative for the Subcommittee no later than November 27, 2002.

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 the Coast Guard Technical Representative for the Subcommittee as soon as possible.

Dated: November 14, 2002.

Joseph J. Angelo,

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

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