for the purpose of evading the assessment of fees, such requests will be aggregated and fees assessed accordingly. Multiple requests on unrelated subjects will not be aggregated.

- (x) The agency may require a requester to make advance payment only when:
- (A) A requester has previously failed to pay a fee charged in a timely fashion (i.e., within 30 days of the date of the billing), in which case the requester will be required to pay the full amount owed plus any applicable interest as provided above, and to make an advance payment of the full amount of the estimated fee before the agency begins to process a new request or a pending request from that requester; or
- (B) The agency estimates or determines that allowable charges that a requester may be required to pay are likely to exceed \$250, in which case, the agency will notify the requester of the likely cost and obtain satisfactory assurance of full payment where the requester has a history of prompt payment of FOIA fees, or will require an advance payment of an amount up to the full estimated charges in the case of requesters with no history of payment.
- (xi) Unless applicable fees are paid, the agency may use the authorities of the Debt Collection Act (Pub. L. 97–365), including disclosure to consumer reporting agencies and use of collection agencies where appropriate to encourage payment.
- (xii) Whenever action is taken under paragraphs (b)(2)(viii) and (b)(2)(ix) of this section, the administrative time limits prescribed in subsection (a)(6) of 5 U.S.C. 552 (i.e., 10 working days from receipt of initial requests and 20 working days from receipt of appeals from initial denial, plus permissible extensions of these time limits will begin only after the Commission has received fee payments described above.
- (c) Charges for search, review, duplication and certification. (1) Records search will be performed by Commission personnel at the following rates:
- (i) Search will be performed by clerical/administrative personnel at a rate of \$19 per hour and by professional/executive personnel at a rate of \$48 per hour.

- (ii) Minimum charge for record search is \$19.
- (2) Charges for review of records to determine whether they are exempt from disclosure under §503.33 shall be assessed to recover full costs at the rate of \$79 per hour. Charges for review will be assessed only for initial review to determine the applicability of a specific exemptions to a particular record. No charge will be assessed for review at the administrative appeal level.
- (3) Charges for duplication of records and documents will be assessed as follows, limited to size 8½″×14″ or smaller:
- (i) If performed by requesting party, at the rate of five cents per page (one side).
- (ii) By Commission personnel, at the rate of five cents per page (one side) plus \$19 per hour.
- (iii) Minimum charge for copying is \$4.75.
- (iv) No charge will be made by the Commission for notices, decisions, orders, etc., required by law to be served on a party to any proceeding or matter before the Commission. No charge will be made for single copies of such Commission issuances individually requested in person or by mail.
- (4) The certification and validation (with Federal Maritime Commission seal) of documents filed with or issued by the Commission will be available at \$94 for each certification.
- (d) To have one's name and address placed on the mailing list of a specific docket as an interested party to receive all issuances pertaining to that docket: \$9 per proceeding.
- (e) Applications for admission to practice before the Commission for persons not attorneys at law must be accompanied by a fee of \$104 pursuant to \$502.27 of this chapter.

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Subpart F—Information Security Program

§ 503.51 Definitions.

(a) *Access* means the ability or opportunity to gain knowledge of classified information.

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- (b) *Classification* means the act or process by which information is determined to be classified information.
- (c) Classification guide means a documentary form of instruction or source that prescribes the classification of specific information issued by an original classification authority that identifies the elements of information regarding a specific subject that must be classified and establishes the level and duration of classification for each such element.
- (d) Classified national security information (hereafter ''classified information'') means information that has been determined pursuant to Executive Order 12958 or any predecessor order in force to require protection against unauthorized disclosure and is marked to indicate its classified status when in documentary form.
- (e) *Commission* means the Federal Maritime Commission.
- (f) Declassification means the authorized change in the status of information from classified information to unclassified information.
- (g) Derivative classification means the incorporating, paraphrasing, restating or generating in new form information that is already classified, and marking the newly developed material consistent with the classification markings that apply to the source information. Derivative classification includes the classification of information based on classification guidance. The duplication or reproduction of existing classified information is not derivative classification.
- (h) Downgrading means a determination by a declassification authority that information classified and safeguarded at a specified level shall be classified and safeguarded at a lower level.
- (i) Foreign government information means:
- (1) Information provided to the United States Government by a foreign government or governments, an international organization of governments, or any element thereof, with the expectation that the information, the source of the information, or both, are to be held in confidence;
- (2) Information produced by the United States pursuant to or as a re-

- sult of a joint arrangement with a foreign government or governments, or an international organization of governments, or any element thereof, requiring that the information, the arrangement, or both, are to be held in confidence; or
- (3) information received and treated as "Foreign Government Information" under the terms of Executive Order 12958 or any predecessor order.
- (j) Mandatory declassification review means the review for declassification of classified information in response to a request for declassification that meets the requirements under section 3.6 of Executive Order 12958.
- (k) *Multiple sources* means two or more source documents, classification guides, or a combination of both.
- (l) National security means the national defense or foreign relations of the United States.
- (m) Need to know means a determination made by an authorized holder of classified information that a prospective recipient requires access to specific classified information in order to perform or assist in a lawful and authorized governmental function.
- (n) *Original classification* means an initial determination that information requires, in the interest of national security, protection against unauthorized disclosure.
- (o) Original classification authority means an individual authorized in writing, either by the President, or by agency heads or other officials designated by the President, to classify information in the first instance.
- (p) Self-inspection means the internal review and evaluation of individual Commission activities and the Commission as a whole with respect to the implementation of the program established under Executive Order 12958 and its implementing directives.
- (q) Senior agency official ("security officer") means the official designated by the Chairman under section 5.6 of Executive Order 12958 to direct and administer the Commission's program under which classified information is safeguarded.

- (r) Source document means an existing document that contains classified information that is incorporated, paraphrased, restated, or generated in new form into a new document.
- (s) Unauthorized disclosure means a communication or physical transfer of classified information to an unauthorized recipient.

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§ 503.52 Senior agency official.

The Chairman of the Commission shall designate a senior agency official to be the Security Officer for the Commission, who shall be responsible for directing, administering and reporting on the Commission's information security program, which includes oversight (self-inspection) and security information programs to ensure effective implementation of Executive Orders 12958 and 12968, and 32 CFR part 2001.

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§ 503.53 Oversight Committee.

An Oversight Committee is established, under the chairmanship of the Security Officer with the following responsibilities:

- (a) Establish a Commission security education program to familiarize all personnel who have or may have access to classified information with the provisions of Executive Order 12958 and directives of the Information Security Oversight Office. The program shall include initial, refresher, and termination briefings;
- (b) Establish controls to ensure that classified information is used, processed, stored, reproduced, and transmitted only under conditions that will provide adequate protection and prevent access by unauthorized persons;
- (c) Act on all suggestions and complaints concerning the Commission's information security program;
- (d) Recommend appropriate administrative action to correct abuse or violations of any provision of Executive Order 12958; and
- (e) Consider and decide other questions concerning classification and declassification that may be brought before it.

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§ 503.54 Original classification.

- (a) No Commission Member or employee has the authority to originally classify information.
- (b) If a Commission Member or employee develops information that appears to require classification, or receives any foreign government information as defined in section 1.1(d) of Executive Order 12958, the Member or employee shall immediately notify the Security Officer and appropriately protect the information.
- (c) If the Security Officer believes the information warrants classification, it shall be sent to the appropriate agency with original classification authority over the subject matter, or to the Information Security Oversight Office, for review and a classification determination
- (d) If there is reasonable doubt about the need to classify information, it shall be safeguarded as if it were classified pending a determination by an original classification authority. If there is reasonable doubt about the appropriate level of classification, it shall be safeguarded at the higher level of classification pending a determination by an original classification authority.

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§ 503.55 Derivative classification.

- (a) In accordance with Part 2 of Executive Order 12958 and directives of the Information Security Oversight Office, the incorporation, paraphrasing, restating or generation in new form of information that is already classified, and the marking of newly developed material consistent with the classification markings that apply to the source information, is derivative classification.
- (1) Derivative classification includes the classification of information based on classification guidance.
- (2) The duplication or reproduction of existing classified information is not derivative classification.
- (b) Members or employees applying derivative classification markings shall:
- (1) Observe and respect original classification decisions; and