

Advanced listing, including the release of future product nameplates, the beginning model year for which the petition is granted and a general description of the antitheft device is necessary in order to notify law enforcement agencies of new vehicle lines exempted from the parts marking requirements of the Theft Prevention Standard.

If GM decides not to use the exemption for this line, it should formally notify the agency. If such a decision is made, the line must be fully marked according to the requirements under 49 CFR Parts 541.5 and 541.6 (marking of major component parts and replacement parts).

NHTSA notes that if GM wishes in the future to modify the device on which this exemption is based, the company may have to submit a petition to modify the exemption. Part 543.7(d) states that a Part 543 exemption applies only to vehicles that belong to a line exempted under this part and equipped with the antitheft device on which the line's exemption is based. Further, Part 543.9(c)(2) provides for the submission of petitions "to modify an exemption to permit the use of an antitheft device similar to but differing from the one specified in that exemption."

The agency wishes to minimize the administrative burden that Part 543.9(c)(2) could place on exempted vehicle manufacturers and itself. The agency did not intend in drafting Part 543 to require the submission of a modification petition for every change to the components or design of an antitheft device. The significance of many such changes could be *de minimis*. Therefore, NHTSA suggests that if the manufacturer contemplates making any changes, the effects of which might be characterized as *de minimis*, it should consult the agency before preparing and submitting a petition to modify.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 33106; delegation of authority at 49 CFR 1.50.

Issued on: November 23, 2009.

Stephen R. Kratzke,

Associate Administrator for Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2009 0144]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel Northern Lights.

SUMMARY: As authorized by 46 U.S.C. 12121, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD-2009-0144 at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted.

Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388.

DATES: Submit comments on or before December 28, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2009-0144. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except

Federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joann Spittle, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W21-203, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-5979.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel Northern Lights is:

Intended Commercial Use of Vessel: "Sportfishing in Hawaii."

Geographic Region: "Hawaii."

Privacy Act

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our 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 DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78).

Dated: November 17, 2009.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

Christine Gurland,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2009 0145]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the coastwise trade laws for the vessel Casamar.

SUMMARY: As authorized by 46 U.S.C. 12121, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD-2009-XXXX at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388.

DATES: Submit comments on or before December 28, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2009-0145. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joann Spittle, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W21-203, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-5979.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel Casamar is: *Intended Commercial Use of Vessel:* "Time charters."

Geographic Region: "Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine."

Privacy Act

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Dated: November 17, 2009.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

Christine Gurland,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Waivers To Buy American Under the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act for Grants-in-Aid for Airports

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), U.S. DOT.

ACTION: Notice of waiver to Buy American preferences for grants-in-aid grant projects.

SUMMARY: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) requires publication of the waivers that have been issued under ARRA. This notice provides information on the waivers that have been issued for Federal Aviation Administration grants-in-aid projects.

DATES: *Effective Date:* November 18, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Frank SanMartin, Manager, Airports Financial Assistance, APP 500, Room 620, FAA, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone (202) 267-3831.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1605 of the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act requires that agencies meet Buy American requirements for the use of American iron, steel, and manufactured goods. It further requires that agencies publish a **Federal Register** notice giving a detailed written justification explaining any waivers that are given to the Buy American requirements of the Act.

Title XII of the Act provides \$1,100,000,000 to make grants for airports. The Act requires that the grants issued by the Federal Aviation Administration follow the guidelines and requirements of subchapter 1 of chapter 471 and subchapter 1 of chapter

475 of title 49, United States Code (U.S.C.). These subchapters require following 49 U.S.C. 50101, the Buy American Preferences section that is used for airport grants-in-aid projects.

Under 49 U.S.C. 50101(b)(3), the Secretary may waive the Buy American preference requirement if the Secretary finds that facility or equipment is composed of more than 60 percent components and subcomponents that are produced in the United States (U.S.) and that final assembly of the facility or equipment has occurred in the U.S. To meet Buy American requirements, airports using grant funding must seek a waiver from FAA to use any product that is not made up of 100 percent U.S. components or subcomponents. However it is well known that many of the U.S. products used on airport grant projects contain some small percentage of non-U.S. goods. In order to help airports comply with Buy American, FAA has reviewed many of the most commonly used airport products and determined whether the products are eligible to receive a waiver under 49 U.S.C. 50101(b)(3). Products that do meet the waiver criteria are granted a "Nationwide Waiver." This "Nationwide Waiver" allows the product to be used on airport projects without having to receive separate project waivers. Having a nationwide waiver allows construction to start quickly without having to wait for the Buy American analysis to be completed for every project, while still assuring the funds used for airport projects under the Act are being directed to U.S. manufacturers.

Because of the "Nationwide Waiver," only a handful of the over 300 airport projects under the Act have needed a waiver to Buy American. In nearly every case, the waivers were granted for products that were later granted nationwide waivers. Waivers were required simply because the Nationwide Buy American compliance review had not been completed. The remaining waivers are for items for which a nationwide waiver has not been issued.

The items that have been granted a "Nationwide Waiver" can be found on the FAA Web site at: http://www.faa.gov/airports/aip/procurement/federal_contract_provisions/ at the tab entitled, Equipment Meeting Buy American Requirements.

Project waivers issued under ARRA, including those for which nationwide waivers have since been issued are as follows: