citizenship, managerial competence, operating proposal, financial condition, and compliance history. The specific information to be filed by respondents is set forth in 14 CFR Parts 201 and 204.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 4,900.

Title: Use and Change of Names of Air Carriers, Foreign Air Carriers, and Commuter Air Carriers, 14 CFR Part 215.

OMB Control Number: 2106-0043.

Type of Request: Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Affected Public: Persons seeking to use or change the name or trade name in which they hold themselves out to the public as an air carrier or foreign air carrier.

Abstract: In accordance with the procedures set forth in 14 CFR Part 215, before a holder of certificated, foreign, or commuter air carrier authority may hold itself out to the public in any particular name or trade name, it must register that name or trade name with the Department, and notify all other certificated, foreign, and commuter air carriers that have registered the same or similar name(s) of the intended name registration.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 87.4.

These information collection submissions are available for inspection at the Air Carrier Fitness Division (X–56), Office of Aviation Analysis, DOT, at the address above. Copies of 14 CFR Part 215 can be obtained from Ms. Carol Woods at the address and telephone number shown above.

Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention DOT Desk Officer.

Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Vanester M. Williams,

Clearance Officer, United States Department of Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Task Force on Assistance to Families in Aviation Disasters Open Meeting

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Task Force on Assistance to Families in Aviation Disasters will hold a meeting to discuss assistance to families of passengers involved in aviation accidents. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 1997, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Thursday, October 9, 1997, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will take place Room 2230 of Department of Transportation (DOT) Headquarters, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steven R. Okun, Task Force Executive Director, telephone 202–366–4702, or Marc C. Owen, Task Force Staff Director, mailing address, 400 7th Street SW., Room 5424, Washington, DC 20590, telecopier 202–366–7147, and telephone 202–366–6823.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix), DOT gives notice of a meeting of the Task Force on Assistance to Families in Aviation Disasters (Task Force). The Task Force was established by the Aviation Disaster Family Assistance Act of 1996 to develop recommendations on ways to improve the treatment of families of passengers involved in aviation accidents. The meeting is open to the public both days. In particular, topics for discussion on both days include a review of draft recommendations to be included in the Task Force's final report to Congress.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on September 29, 1997.

Steven R. Okun,

Task Force Executive Director, Department of Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[CGD 97-065]

National Boating Safety Activities: Funding for National Nonprofit Public Service Organizations

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard seeks applications for grants and cooperative agreements from national nongovernmental, nonprofit, public service organizations. These grants and cooperative agreements would be used to fund projects on various subjects promoting boating safety on the national level. This notice provides information about the grant and cooperative agreement application process and some of the subjects that the Coast Guard would like to see studied.

DATES: Application packages may be obtained on or after October 1, 1997. Proposals for the fiscal year 1998 grant cycle must be received before 4:30 p.m. eastern time December 31, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Application packages may be obtained by calling the Coast Guard Infoline 800–368–5647. Submit proposals to: Commandant (G-OPB-1g), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Room 3100, Washington, DC 20593–0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. Betty Alley, Office of Boating Safety, U.S. Coast Guard (G–OPB–1g/room 3100), 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, DC 20593–0001; 202–267–0954. You may obtain a copy of this notice by calling the U.S. Coast Guard Infoline at 800–368–5647, or read it on the Office of Boating Safety Web Site at URL address www.uscgboating.org/.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title 26, United States Code, section 9504, establishes the Boat Safety Account of the Aquatic Resources Trust Fund. From this trust fund, the majority of funds are allocated to the States, and up to 5% of these funds may be distributed by the Coast Guard for grants and cooperative agreements to national, nonprofit, public service organizations for national boating safety activities. It is anticipated that \$2,750,000 will be available for fiscal year 1998. Twenty-two awards totaling \$2,250,000 were made in fiscal year 1997 ranging from \$9,000 to \$426,409. Nothing in this announcement should be construed as committing the Coast Guard to dividing available funds among qualified applicants or awarding any specified amount.

It is anticipated that several awards will be made by the Director of Operations Policy, U.S. Coast Guard. Applicants must be national, nongovernmental, nonprofit, public service organizations and must establish that their activities are, in fact, national in scope. An application package may be obtained by writing or calling the point of contact listed in ADDRESSES on or after October 1, 1997. The application package contains all necessary forms, an explanation of how the grant program is administered, and a checklist for submitting a grant application. Specific information on organization eligibility, proposal requirements, award procedures, and financial administration procedures may be obtained by contacting the person listed in for further information contact.

Some areas of continuing and particular interest for grant funding include the following:

 Develop and Conduct a National Annual Safe Boating Campaign. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to develop and conduct the 1999 year-round National Annual Safe Boating Campaign that targets specific boater marker segments and recreational boating safety topics. This year-round campaign must support the organizational objectives of the Recreational Boating Safety Program to save lives, reduce the number of boating accidents and associated health care costs, as well as support the nationwide grassroots activity of the many volunteer groups who coordinate local media events, education programs, and public awareness activities. Products must include, but are not limited to: situation analysis, post campaign component evaluation processes, measures of effectiveness, marketing strategy, distribution plan, and final report. All print, audio and video material must be designed to emphasize multiple year-round boating safety and accident prevention messages. Highlights of the calendar year 1999 national campaign will be special select materials and activities to support National Safe Boating Week and other selected national boating safety events. The major focus of the campaign will be to affect the behavior of all boaters to increase wearing of Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) (with special emphasis on use by children) and the dangers of boating while under the influence (BUI) of alcohol or drugs. An established portion of allocated grant funds must support a National Boating Accident Reporting Awareness Program that is designed to reach all boaters with

a message on the importance of

reporting all boating accidents. It must

also include a component devoted to

propeller injury prevention awareness with a special emphasis on rental operations involving propeller driven craft. Efforts will also be coordinated, year-round, with other national transportation safety activities and special media events, in particular those which focus on the prevention of operating a boat under the influence of alcohol or drugs. *Point of Contact:* Ms. Jo Calkin, 202–267–0994.

- 2. Evaluation of the National Safe Boating Campaign. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to conduct an objective and systematic evaluation of the National Safe Boating Campaign. This evaluation is to determine the effectiveness of the campaign in modifying on the water behavior, and thus meeting the objectives of the Recreational Boating Safety Program to save lives, reduce the number of boating accidents and associated health care costs. (Grantees or partners of grantees of previous National Safe Boating Campaigns will not be considered.) Point of Contact: Ms. Jo Calkin, 202-267-0994.
- 3. Develop and Conduct a National Recreational Boating Safety Outreach and Awareness Conference. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to plan, implement, and conduct a National Recreational Boating Safety Outreach and Awareness Conference. This conference must support the organizational objectives of the Recreational Boating Safety Program to save lives, reduce the number of boating accidents, and lower associated health care costs. The conference should be scheduled to be conducted during the spring of 1999 and be held concurrent or consecutively with additional major national recreational and/or boating safety and aquatic symposiums. The design of the conference should enhance the awareness and development of paid and volunteer professionals; national, state, and local boating safety program organization leaders; waterway managers and industry specialists. It should provide a unifying link between local/regional programs and those on the national level. The conference should be a collaborative effort of national organizations interested in the betterment of boating and aquatic safety and should include, but not be limited to, plenary sessions, hands-on workshops, and the distribution of a post conference report (publication) describing the activities of the conference. Products should include, but are not limited to, evaluation processes, measures of effectiveness, marketing strategy, and final report.

Point of Contact: Ms. Jo Calkin, 202–267–0994.

- 4. National Boating Survey. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to conduct a comprehensive national boating survey. This survey would update information collected in surveys conducted in 1973, 1976 and 1989. The purpose of these surveys was to obtain statistical estimates of recreational boats, boating households, boaters, boating exposures, practices, and activities. The best way to assess a boater's risk on the water, as well as the effectiveness of boating safety program activities in minimizing that risk, is to qualify exposure factors * * who is boating, in what types of boats, where, how often, how long, doing what activities, etc., and relate those factors to accident data. The nationwide boating survey is to be of sufficient sample size to provide various exposure data by State. Point of Contact: Mr. Bruce Schmidt, 202-267-0955.
- 5. Information Resources Management: Recreational Boating Safety (RBS) Exposure Data Capture Project. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to complete a comprehensive RBS Exposure Data Capture Project to identify organizations who routinely collect recreational boating exposure data measured in passenger hours. The grantee will use the results from a fiscal year 1995 grant project which identified exposure data elements and their sources. The objectives of the project are twofold. The first objective is to create a national database of all sources who routinely collect recreational boating exposure data on a continuous basis. The database will contain all exposure data elements and their attributes to include: participant demographics, the locality, type and duration of boating activity, the frequency and methodology of data collection, data storage formats, and information that provides access to the data. The second objective is to determine the feasibility of collating and using data from the identified sources to develop valid national estimates of recreational boating exposure. Point of Contact: Mr. Bruce Schmidt, 202–267– 0955.
- 6. National Definition of Drowning. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to conduct literature and reference research and develop a position paper (with resource references) on a National Definition of drowning. This research is to include canvassing leading Federal and medical authorities. The result will be a recommendation for a nationally recognized medical definition. Point of Contact: CW02 Tim Duff, 202–267–1263.
- 7. Safety Considerations for Individuals with Special Needs. The

Coast Guard seeks grantees to conduct a National study on boating safety concerns and specific interventions for Special Needs Groups. Applicants would provide recommendations to improve the aquatic safety/boating safety for those segments of the population that are mentally and/or physically impaired. *Point of Contact:* CWO2 Tim Duff, 202–267–1263.

8. State/Federal/Boating
Organizations Cooperative Partnering
Efforts. The Coast Guard seeks grantees
to provide programs to encourage
greater participation and uniformity in
boating safety efforts. Applicants would
provide a forum to encourage greater
uniformity of boating laws and
regulations, reciprocity among
jurisdictions, and closer cooperation
and assistance in developing,
administering, and enforcing Federal
and state laws and regulations
pertaining to boating safety. Point of
Contact: Ms. Sandy Brown, 202–267–
6010.

9. Develop and Conduct Technical Seminars on Boating Safety Standards and Compliance. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to develop, provide instructional materials for, and conduct training courses nationwide for compliance with recreational boating Federal safety standards. Point of Contact: Mr. Gary Larimer, 202–267– 0986.

10. Investigate Deficiencies of Recreational Boat Flotation Foam. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to study deficiencies in flotation foams used for recreational boats. In particular, grantee should explore new foam spraying agents and techniques in light of recent Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations governing chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs). Point of Contact: Mr. Gary Larimer, 202–267–

11. Develop and Conduct Boating Accident Seminars. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to develop, provide instructional material, and conduct training courses nationwide for boating accident investigators, including three courses at the Coast Guard Reserve Training Center in Yorktown, Virginia. Point of Contact: Mr. Gary Larimer, 202–267–0986.

12. National Estimate of Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) Wear Rate. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to develop a statistically valid, empirically developed national estimate of wear rates of PFDs by recreational boaters. This will provide the Coast Guard with a baseline against which to measure the effectiveness of its public relations and boating education efforts, and will assist in PFD wearability improvement efforts.

Point of Contact: LCDR Rick Sparacino, 202–267–0976.

13. Conduct a Research Study on Personal Flotation Device (PFD)
Conspicuity. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to identify and investigate past and current research into factors that contribute to the conspicuity of objects in the water with the goal of increasing the conspicuity of personal flotation devices when the wearer is in the water. Point of Contact: Mr. Rick Gipe, 202–267–0985.

14. Voluntary Standards Development Support. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to carry out a program to encourage active public participation in the development of technically sound voluntary boating safety standards. Point of Contact: Mr. Peter Eikenberry, 202–267–6984.

15. Improvement of Navigation Light Visibility and Glare Minization. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to investigate the safety aspects of navigation light lens size for lights constructed in accordance with the Navigation Rule specifications. Grantee shall determine the minimum lens size necessary to effect a safe level of navigation light discernment when viewed, especially at close range, against a background of lights and inclement weather. Point of Contact; Mr. Randolph J. Doubt, 202–267–6810.

16. Recreational Boating Electronic Accident Reporting System. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to develop an electronic means of submitting recreational boating accident report data from the public. Point of Contact: Mr. Phil Cappel, 202–267–0988.

17. Human Factors and Risk Management in Recreational Boating Applications. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to identify and characterize the human factors and risk involved with the recreational boating experience, including operator controlled factors, boat characteristics, safety equipment, operating environment, and operator safety awareness. Grantee shall identify resources/interventions to eliminate/ mitigate risk factors. Grantee shall specifically identify the risk involved with recreational boat characteristics of speed, accelerations (both lateral and vertical), and stability, and develop/ validate risk matrices identifying appropriate interventions to reduce/ eliminate risk. Point of Contact: Mr. Phil Cappel, 202-267-0988.

18. Off-Throttle Steering of Jet-pump Propelled Craft. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to identify available and emerging technology/methodology in the area of off-throttle steering of jetpump propelled craft and conduct testing on those items/methods that are determined to be the most effective. *Point of Contact:* Mr. Gary Larimer, 202–267–0986.

19. Development and Validation of Personal Flotation Device (PFD)
Computer Simulation Model. The Coast Guard seeks a grantee to work with the Coast Guard Research and Development Program in the further development of an articulated total body mannequin and the use of the mannequin to validate a computer simulation model for rough water testing of PFDs. Point of Contact: Mr. Rick Gipe, 202–267–0985.

The above list includes items of specific interest to the Coast Guard, however, potential applicants should not be constrained by the list. Any initiative which can help to reduce deaths, injuries or damage among recreational boaters is welcomed. One area you should focus on is PARTNERSHIP. Explore other sources. linkages, in-kind contributions, cost sharing, and partnering with other organizations or corporations. A more detailed discussion of specific projects of interest to the Coast Guard may be obtained by contacting the Coast Guard Infoline at 800-368-5647 and requesting a copy of a specific proposal. Proposals addressing other boating safety concerns are encouraged. The **Boating Safety Financial Assistance** Program is listed in section 20.005 of the Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog.

Dated: October 1, 1997.

James D. Hull,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Director of Operations Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee; Aircraft Certification Procedures Issues—New Task

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of new task assignments for the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC).

SUMMARY: Notice is given of two new harmonization tasks assigned to and accepted by the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC). This notice informs the public of the activities of ARAC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian A. Yanez, Aircraft Certification Service (AIR–110), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence