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DATES: Submit comments on or before April 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2001-9048. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit/>. 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://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathleen Dunn, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, MAR-832 Room 7201, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-2307.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title V of Pub. L. 105-383 provides authority to the Secretary of Transportation to administratively waive the U.S.-build requirements of the Jones Act, and other statutes, for small commercial passenger vessels (no more than 12 passengers). This authority has been delegated to the Maritime Administration per 49 CFR 1.66, Delegations to the Maritime Administrator, as amended. By this notice, MARAD is publishing information on a vessel for which a request for a U.S.-build waiver has been received, and for which MARAD requests comments from interested parties. 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.

Vessel Proposed for Waiver of the U.S.-Build Requirement

(1) Name of vessel and owner for which waiver is requested. Name of vessel: CRYSTAL. Owner: CRYSTAL

YACHT CHARTERS, INC., a California corporation.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. According to the applicant: "The vessel measurements are: length: 82', breadth: 22', depth: 11'. The tonnages are 163 gross and 59 net as measured under the Convention Measurement System pursuant to 46 CFR 69 and 46 U.S.C. Chapter 143."

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. According to the applicant:

This vessel will operate for short periods of time with captain, crew, and 12 or less passengers on harbor cruises and corporate executive sightseeing tours within Newport Harbor, and the Pacific Ocean between Newport Beach and San Diego and out to Catalina Island. The geographic limits will also include the Pacific Ocean between Pt. Conception and San Diego and out to Catalina Island.

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. Date of construction: 1994. Place of construction: Kha Shing Enterprises Co., Ltd., Taiwan.

(5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. According to the applicant:

The impact will be negligible as we will address the charter needs of smaller groups than most of the vessels in our area. Most of the commercial passenger vessels have capacities of 50 to 500 passengers.

(6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. According to the applicant:

There is no negative impact on our U.S. shipyards and we anticipate that all of the repair work to this vessel will be done in U.S. shipyards. A majority of the components, including engines, generators, navigation equipment, propellers, running gear, etc., are all U.S. built.

Dated: March 2, 2001.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket Number: MARAD-2001-9042]

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 ELIZA.

SUMMARY: As authorized by Pub. L. 105-383, 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 description of the proposed service, is listed below. 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 that in accordance with Pub. L. 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388 (65 FR 6905; February 11, 2000) 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, a waiver will not be granted.

DATES: Submit comments on or before April 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2001-9042. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit/>. 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://dms.dot.gov>.

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Vessel Proposed for Waiver of the U.S.-Build Requirement

(1) Name of vessel and owner for which waiver is requested. Name of vessel: ELIZA. Owner: Herbert W. Goodall, III.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. According to the applicant: "Gross 68 Tons, Net 65 Tons, Length 75.5', Breadth 20.6', Depth 8.2'."

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. According to the applicant:

ELIZA operates as a term charter vessel, taking eight guests or fewer, on one week or longer cruises, mainly in New England, but also south from New England as far as South Florida.

As above, the main areas of operation for ELIZA are the Atlantic seaboard states of New England during the months of June through September: New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine. But, the waters of New Jersey, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida come into play from time to time as the vessel runs north and south. The vessel's main winter operations area is the Eastern Caribbean, so the states south of New England come into play solely during the yacht's semi-annual delivery between her main theaters of operation.

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. Date of construction: 1981. Place of construction: Poole, Dorset, United Kingdom.

(5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. According to the applicant: "ELIZA is not engaged in the day charter business so the impact on other commercial passenger vessels would be minimal to non-existent."

(6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. According to the applicant: "There are no shipyards, that I know of, building vessels like or even similar to ELIZA."

Dated: March 2, 2001.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket Number: MARAD-2001-9050]

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 RUFFINIT.

SUMMARY: As authorized by Pub. L. 105-383, 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 description of the proposed service, is listed below. 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 that in accordance with Pub. L. 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388 (65 FR 6905; February 11, 2000) 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, a waiver will not be granted.

DATES: Submit comments on or before April 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2001-9050. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit/>. 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://dms.dot.gov>.

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requirements of the Jones Act, and other statutes, for small commercial passenger vessels (no more than 12 passengers). This authority has been delegated to the Maritime Administration per 49 CFR 1.66, Delegations to the Maritime Administrator, as amended. By this notice, MARAD is publishing information on a vessel for which a request for a U.S.-build waiver has been received, and for which MARAD requests comments from interested parties. 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.

Vessel Proposed for Waiver of the U.S.-Build Requirement

(1) Name of vessel and owner for which waiver is requested. Name of vessel: RUFFINIT. Owner: KMM, an Alaska Partnership, composed of William McGrew, Dennis Kelly, and John McGrew.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. According to the applicant: "The overall length of the 'RUFFINIT' is 48'4": with the load length waterline being 43'. The gross tonnage of the vessel is 43, with the net tons being 34. The displacement is approximately 39,500 lbs. It is my understanding the tonnage was measured pursuant to 46 U.S.C. 14502."

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. According to the applicant: "The 'RUFFINIT' will be docked and operated out of the small boat harbor at the port of Valdez, Alaska. The intended use of this vessel will be to transport not more than 12 passengers, along with kayakers, to various scenic bays and inlets within Prince William Sound. It is contemplated that most of the trips will be day trips, leaving Valdez in the morning and returning to Valdez that same evening. The 'RUFFINIT' will serve as a 'base of operations' for the kayakers once we reach our destination within Prince William Sound. The Kayakers will launch from the 'RUFFINIT' and then return to the ship for lunch, rest, take advantage of the rest room facilities on board, or perhaps even have a hot shower. Plans are also being developed to have an overnight or perhaps a somewhat longer trip if the passengers so desire. This vessel will not be used as a charter vessel for fishing."

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. Date of