

(2) Update on the Great Lakes Pilotage Office Relocation Study.

(3) Update on Bridge Hour Study.

(4) Discussion and Selection of 7th GLPAC Member to recommend to Secretary of Transportation for appointment.

Procedural

The meeting is open to the public. Please note that the meeting may close early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meeting.

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 Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: July 23, 2002.

Paul J. Pluta,

Rear Admiral, Coast Guard, Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement; Wiscasset and Edgecomb, ME

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.
ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement (EIS) will be prepared for a proposed highway project in the Towns of Wiscasset and Edgecomb, Sagadahoc County, Maine.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Mark Hasselmann, Manager, Right of Way and Environment, Maine Division, Federal Highway Administration, 40 Western Ave. Augusta, Maine 04330, Tel. 207/622-8355, ext. 24; Edward W. Hanscom, P.E., Project Manager, Maine Department of Transportation, State House Station 16, Augusta, Maine 04333-0016, Tel. 207/624-3320.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Maine Department of Transportation, will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal to improve public safety, increase mobility and reduce congestion through the U.S. Route 1 corridor in the Wiscasset-Edgecomb area. The purpose of this EIS is to establish a preferred alternative

that will address the study purpose and need. Alternatives under consideration include (1) taking no action, (2) transportation system management including upgrades within the existing highway facilities and construction of a limited access highway on new location.

This project began in 1999 as an environmental assessment and the first public meeting was held in December 1999. An agency scoping meeting was held April 10, 2000 in Augusta, Maine and public scoping meetings were held in Wiscasset, Maine on May 24, 2000 and November 1, 2000.

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 315; 49 CFR 1.48.

Issued on: July 17, 2002.

Paul L. Lariviere,

Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, Augusta, Maine.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Notice of Application for Approval of Discontinuance or Modification of a Railroad Signal System or Relief From Requirements

Pursuant to Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 235 and 49 U.S.C. 20502(a), the following railroads have petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) seeking approval for the discontinuance or modification of the signal system or relief from the requirements of 49 CFR part 236 as detailed below.

Docket No. FRA-2002-12907.

Applicant: Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway, Mr. DJ Mitchell II, Assistant Vice President, 2600 Lou Menk Drive, P.O. Box 961034, Fort Worth, Texas 76161-0034.

Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway (BNSF) seeks temporary relief from the requirements of Part 236, Section 236.566, of the Rules, Standard and Instructions, to the extent that BNSF be permitted to operate the non-equipped steam locomotive ATSF 3751, as the lead locomotive in consist, in automatic train stop (ATS) territory between Barstow, California, milepost 745.9 and Needles, California, milepost 578.0, on the Southern California Division, Needles Subdivision, and between Needles, California, milepost 578.0 and Williams, Arizona, milepost 374.3, on the Southwest Division, Seligman Subdivision, during August 19 through August 26, 2002, restricted to a maximum authorized speed of 70 mph.

Applicant's justification for relief: The National Railroad Historical Society is planning to operate a special train, with Amtrak as the contract operator, from Los Angeles, California to Williams, Arizona and return, during August 19-26, 2002, routed over the ATS equipped trackage.

Any interested party desiring to protest the granting of an application shall set forth specifically the grounds upon which the protest is made, and contain a concise statement of the interest of the party in the proceeding. Additionally, one copy of the protest shall be furnished to the applicant at the address listed above.

All communications concerning this proceeding should be identified by the docket number and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI-401, Washington, DC 20590-0001. Due to the short time constraints, communications must be received as soon as possible from the date of this notice and will be considered by the FRA as far as practicable before final action is taken. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) at DOT Central Docket Management Facility, Room PI-401 (Plaza Level), 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FRA expects to be able to determine these matters without an oral hearing. However, if a specific request for an oral hearing is accompanied by a showing that the party is unable to adequately present his or her position by written statements, an application may be set for public hearing.

Issued in Washington, DC, on July 23, 2002.

Edward W. Pritchard,

Acting Director, Office of Safety Assurance and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on March 26, 2002. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before August 28, 2002.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kenneth Kline, Maritime Administration, 400 Seventh Street, Southwest, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-5744; FAX: 202-366-7901, or e-mail: kenneth.kline@marad.dot.gov. Copies of this collection can also be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration (MARAD).

Title: Obligation Guarantees—46 CFR part 298, Title XI.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0018.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals/businesses interested in obtaining loan guarantees for construction or reconstruction of vessels satisfying criteria under the Merchant Marine Act.

Form(s): MA-163, MA-163A.

Abstract: In accordance with the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, MARAD is authorized to execute a full faith and credit guarantee by the United States of debt obligations issued to finance or refinance the construction or reconstruction of vessels. In addition, the program allows for financing shipyard modernization and improvement projects.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 1470 hours.

Comments Are Invited On

(a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity

of the information to be collected; and (d) 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.

A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Issued in Washington, DC on July 24, 2002.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket Number: MARAD-2002-12911]

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 AMULET.

SUMMARY: As authorized by Public Law 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 Public Law 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 August 28, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2002-12911. 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 Public Law 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: AMULET. *Owner:* Charter Cruises, LLC.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. *According to the applicant:* "62-foot Little Harbor sloop; sleeps 6 plus 2 in crew; *Displacement:* 88, 000 lbs.; *Ballast:* 31, 5000 lbs."

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. *According to the applicant:* "Charter vessel cruising; East Coast of United States and Caribbean."

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. *Date of construction:* 1982. *Place of construction:* Taiwan.

(5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. *According to the applicant:* "No impact on other commercial passenger vessels."

(6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. *According to the applicant:* "No impact on U.S. Shipyards."

Dated: July 23, 2002.