

- (5) New Business.
- (6) Next meeting.
- (7) Adjournment.

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. If you would like to make an oral presentation at the meeting, please notify the Committee Administrator no later than April 30, 2003. Written material for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than April 30, 2003. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee in advance of the meeting, please submit 25 copies to the Committee Administrator no later than April 25, 2003.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities, or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact the Committee Administrator at the location indicated under **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.

Dated: March 8, 2003.

Roy J. Casto,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2003-14888]

Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: A subcommittee of the Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee (MERPAC) will meet to discuss a specific task statement relating to the training of merchant-marine personnel. MERPAC advises the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security on matters relating to the training, qualifications, licensing, certification, and fitness of seamen serving in the U.S. merchant marine. All meetings will be open to the public.

DATES: The MERPAC subcommittee will meet on Wednesday, April 30, 2003, and on Thursday, May 1, 2003, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. These meetings may

adjourn early if all business is finished. Requests to make oral presentations, written material for distribution, and requests for distribution of this material all should reach the Coast Guard on or before April 23, 2003.

ADDRESSES: MERPAC will meet on both days in Room FOB-90 of the Old Federal Building located at 909 1st Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104. Further directions regarding the location of the Old Federal Building may be obtained by contacting the Property Management Office at (206) 220-5055. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Commander Brian J. Peter, Commandant (G-MSO-1), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. We request that members of the public who plan to attend this meeting notify Mr. Mark Gould at 202-267-6890 or by e-mail at mgould@comdt.uscg.mil so that he may notify building security officials. In order to gain entry to the Old Federal Building, you will be required to show a valid Federal or State picture identification card. This notice is available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions on this notice, contact Commander Brian J. Peter, Executive Director of MERPAC, or Mr. Mark C. Gould, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone 202-267-6890, fax 202-267-4570, or the e-mail address under **ADDRESSES**.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2. Agenda of Meetings on April 30 and May 1, 2003:

The subcommittee will meet to discuss Task Statement 36: Recommendations on a Training Program for Officers in Charge of an Engineering Watch (OICEW) Coming Up Through the Hawsepipeline. The subcommittee will develop recommendations and a proposed training program to be used by a mariner entering the maritime industry after August 1, 1998, who participates in an approved program of study, other than a State or Federal maritime academy. The recommendations and proposed training program will be forwarded to the full MERPAC for consideration and possible adoption at the next regular meeting.

Procedural

Both meetings are open to the public. Please note that the meetings may adjourn early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations

during the meetings. If you would like to make an oral presentation at a meeting, your request should reach the Executive Director no later than April 23, 2003. Written material for distribution at a meeting should reach him no later than April 23, 2003. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the subcommittee in advance of the meeting, please submit 25 copies to him no later than April 23, 2003.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact the Assistant Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: April 8, 2003.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety, Security & Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-3185-EM]

Colorado; Emergency and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of an emergency for the State of Colorado (FEMA-3185-EM), dated April 9, 2003, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 9, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated April 9, 2003, the President declared an emergency under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the impact in certain areas of the State of Colorado, resulting from the record/near record snow on March 17-20, 2003, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency

Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121–5206 (Stafford Act). I, therefore, declare that such an emergency exists in the State of Colorado.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes, such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide emergency protective measures under the Public Assistance program to save lives, protect public health and safety, and property. Other forms of assistance under title V of the Stafford Act may be added at a later date, as you deem appropriate. You are further authorized to provide this emergency assistance in the affected areas for a period of 72 hours. You may extend the period of assistance, as warranted. This assistance excludes regular time costs for sub-grantees' regular employees. Assistance under this emergency is authorized at 75 percent Federal funding for eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Acting Under Secretary for Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Justin Demello, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared emergency.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of Colorado to have been affected adversely by this declared emergency:

Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Clear Creek, Custer, Denver, Douglas, Elbert, El Paso, Fremont, Gilpin, Grand, Huerfano, Jackson, Jefferson, Larimer, Las Animas, Park, Summit, Teller, and Weld Counties for emergency protective measures (Category B) under the Public Assistance program for a period of 72 hours.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance.)

Michael D. Brown,

Acting Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA–3173–EM]

New York; Amendment No. 2 to Notice of an Emergency Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of an emergency declaration for the State of New York, (FEMA–3173–EM), dated February 25, 2003, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 11, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of an emergency declaration for the State of New York is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared an emergency by the President in his declaration of February 25, 2003:

Broome and Oneida Counties for emergency protective measures (Category B) under the Public Assistance program for an additional 48 hours of assistance (already designated for 48 hours of assistance). (The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 83.537, Community Disaster Loans; 83.538, Cora Brown Fund Program; 83.539, Crisis Counseling; 83.540, Disaster Legal Services Program; 83.541, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 83.556, Fire Management Assistance; 83.558, Individual and Household Housing; 83.559, Individual and Household Disaster Housing Operations; 83.560 Individual and Household Program—Other Needs, 83.544, Public Assistance Grants; 83.548, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

Michael D. Brown,

Acting Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA–1453–DR]

Ohio; Amendment No. 5 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Ohio, (FEMA–1453–DR), dated March 14, 2003, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 10, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Ohio is hereby amended to include the following area among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of March 14, 2003:

Ross County for emergency protective measures (Category B) under the Public Assistance program for a period of 48 hours. (The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 83.537, Community Disaster Loans; 83.538, Cora Brown Fund Program; 83.539, Crisis Counseling; 83.540, Disaster Legal Services Program; 83.541, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 83.556, Fire Management Assistance; 83.558, Individual and Household Housing; 83.559, Individual and Household Disaster Housing Operations; 83.560 Individual and Household Program—Other Needs, 83.544, Public Assistance Grants; 83.548, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

Michael D. Brown,

Acting Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA–1455–DR]

West Virginia; Amendment No. 5 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of West Virginia (FEMA–1455–DR), dated March 14, 2003, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 10, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of West Virginia is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the