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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The North Carolina Department of Transportation, who owns and operates this vertical lift bridge, has requested a temporary deviation to conduct the bi-annual trunnion inspection.

Under the regular operating schedule, the bridge opens on signal as required by 33 CFR 117.5, except that under 33 CFR 117.823, the draw need not open for the passage of vessels from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on the second Saturday of July and from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. on the first or second Sunday of November every year.

The Cape Fear River Memorial Bridge, at mile 26.8, at Wilmington, NC, has vertical clearances in the open and closed positions of 135 feet and 65 feet above mean high water, respectively.

Under this temporary deviation, the drawbridge will be closed to navigation beginning each day from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., on March 11, 2013, through March 14, 2013; however, vessel openings will be provided if at least two hours advance notice is given. At all other times, the drawbridge opens on signal. There are no alternate routes for vessels transiting this section of the Cape Fear River. The drawbridge will be able to open in the event of an emergency.

Typical vessel traffic on the Cape Fear River includes a variety of vessels from freighters, tug and barge traffic, and recreational vessels. Vessels that can pass under the bridge without a bridge opening may continue to do so at anytime.

The Coast Guard has carefully coordinated the restrictions with commercial and recreational waterway users. The Coast Guard will inform all users of the waterway through our Local and Broadcast Notice to Mariners of the closure periods for the bridge so that vessels can arrange their transits to minimize any impacts caused by the temporary deviation.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the drawbridge must return to its regular operating schedule immediately at the end of the effective period of this temporary deviation. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: January 30, 2013.

Waverly W. Gregory, Jr.,

Bridge Program Manager, Fifth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG-2012-1072]

Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Saugus River, Lynn and Revere, MA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulation.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Coast Guard has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation governing the operation of the General Edwards Bridge, mile 1.7, across the Saugus River between Lynn and Revere, Massachusetts. The deviation is necessary to facilitate architectural rehabilitation of the bridge towers. This deviation allows the bridge to remain in the closed position to allow scaffolding be attached to the bascule lift span to access work area.

DATES: This deviation is effective from March 1, 2013, through April 27, 2013.

ADDRESSES: The docket for this notice, USCG-2012-1072, is available online at www.regulations.gov by typing the docket number in the "SEARCH" box and clicking "SEARCH". You may also visit the Docket Management Facility (M-30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this temporary deviation, call or email Mr. John W. McDonald, Project Officer, First Coast Guard District, john.w.mcdonald@uscg.mil, or telephone 617-223-8364. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Barbara Hairston, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The General Edwards Bridge, across the Saugus River, mile 1.7, between Lynn and Revere, Massachusetts, has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 27 feet at mean high water and 36 feet at mean low water. The drawbridge operation regulations are listed at 33 CFR 117.618(b).

The waterway users are recreational vessels of various sizes. The bridge rarely opens March through April since the recreational vessels that transit this waterway are normally in winter storage. The bridge has opened two

times on average since 2002 during this time period.

The owner of the bridge, Massachusetts Department of Transportation, requested a temporary deviation from the regulations to help facilitate rehabilitation of the bridge towers that requires scaffolding be attached to the bascule lift span to access the work area.

Under this temporary deviation the General Edwards Bridge may remain in the closed position from March 1, 2013, through April 27, 2013.

Vessels that can pass under the bridge in the closed position may do so at any time.

The Coast Guard believes that this temporary deviation meets the reasonable needs of navigation because the recreational users that normally use this bridge are recreational vessels that do not operate during the winter months when this deviation will be in effect.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the bridge must return to its regular operating schedule immediately at the end of the designated time period. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: January 29, 2012.

Gary Kassof,

Bridge Program Manager, First Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG-2013-0043]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Mile 535.0, Upper Mississippi River, Sabula, IA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of deviation from drawbridge regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard has issued a temporary deviation from the operating schedule that governs the Sabula Railroad Drawbridge across the Upper Mississippi River, mile 535.0, at Sabula, Iowa. The deviation is necessary to allow the bridge owner time to perform preventive maintenance that is essential to the continued safe operation of the drawbridge. Maintenance is scheduled in the winter when there is less impact on navigation; instead of scheduling work in the summer, when river traffic increases. This deviation allows the bridge to remain in the closed-to-

navigation position while a bent shaft and damaged gear assembly are replaced.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 7 a.m., February 11, 2013, to 7 a.m., February 25, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Documents mentioned in this preamble are part of docket USCG–2013–0043. The docket for this notice, USCG–2013–0043, is available online at www.regulations.gov by typing the docket number in the “SEARCH” box and clicking “SEARCH.” Next, click on Open Docket Folder on the line associated with this notice. You may also visit the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 on the ground floor of the Department of Transportation West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this temporary deviation, call or email Eric A. Washburn, Bridge Administrator, Western Rivers, Coast Guard 314–269–2378, email Eric.Washburn@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Barbara Hairston, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Canadian Pacific Railway requested a temporary deviation for the Sabula Railroad Drawbridge, across the Upper Mississippi River, mile 535.0, at Sabula, Iowa to remain in the closed-to-navigation position while a bent shaft and damaged gear assembly are replaced. The closure period will start at 7 a.m., February 11, 2013, and last until 7 a.m., February 25, 2013.

Once the bent shaft and gear assembly are removed, the swing span will not be able to open, even for emergencies, until the replacement of the shaft and gear assembly is installed.

The Sabula Railroad Drawbridge currently operates in accordance with 33 CFR 117.5, which states the general requirement that drawbridges shall open promptly and fully for the passage of vessels when a request to open is given in accordance with the subpart. In order to facilitate the needed bridge work, the drawbridge must be kept in the closed-to-navigation position.

There are no alternate routes for vessels transiting this section of the Upper Mississippi River.

The Sabula Railroad Drawbridge, in the closed-to-navigation position, provides a vertical clearance of 18.1 feet above normal pool. Navigation on the waterway consists primarily of commercial tows and recreational

watercraft. This temporary deviation has been coordinated with the waterway users. No objections were received.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the drawbridge must return to its regular operating schedule immediately at the end of the effective period of this temporary deviation. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: January 25, 2013.

Eric A. Washburn,

Bridge Administrator, Western Rivers.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

38 CFR Part 1

RIN 2900–AO45

Disclosures To Participate in State Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Interim final rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) amends its regulations concerning the sharing of certain patient information in order to implement VA’s authority to participate in State Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMPs). Participation in PDMPs will allow the VA patient population to benefit from the reduction in negative health outcomes.

DATES: *Effective Date:* This rule is effective on February 11, 2013.

Comment Date: Comments must be received on or before April 12, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted by email through <http://www.regulations.gov>; by mail or hand-delivery to Director, Regulations Management (02REG), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Room 1068, Washington, DC 20420; or by fax to (202) 273–9026. Comments should indicate that they are submitted in response to “RIN 2900–AO45, Disclosures to Participate in State Drug Monitoring Programs.” Copies of comments received will be available for public inspection in the Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Room 1063B, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays). Please call (202) 461–4902 for an appointment. (This is not a toll-free number.) In addition, during the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the Federal Docket Management

System (FDMS) at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephania Griffin, Director, Information Access and Privacy Office (10P2C1), Veterans Health Administration, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, 704–245–2492. (This is not a toll-free number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On December 23, 2011, the President signed into law the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012 (the Act), Public Law 112–74. Section 230 of the Act amended 38 U.S.C. 5701, which governs the confidential nature of VA claims and information of present and former members of the Armed Forces and their dependents in VA’s possession, by adding a new subsection (l), which reads as follows:

Under regulations the Secretary [of Veterans Affairs] shall prescribe, the Secretary may disclose information about a veteran or the dependent of a veteran to a State controlled substance monitoring program, including a program approved by the Secretary of Health and Human Services under section 399O of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 280g–3), to the extent necessary to prevent misuse and diversion of prescription medicines.

Section 230 of the Act similarly amended 38 U.S.C. 7332, which governs the confidentiality of VA records relating to drug abuse, alcoholism or alcohol abuse, infection with the human immunodeficiency virus, or sickle cell anemia, by adding a subparagraph (G) to subsection (b)(2), which sets forth exceptions to section 7332’s privacy protections. Subparagraph (G) authorizes VA to release this protected information:

[t]o a State controlled substance monitoring program, including a program approved by the Secretary of Health and Human Services under section 399O of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 280g–3), to the extent necessary to prevent misuse and diversion of prescription medicines.

State controlled substance monitoring programs, as named in the Act, are commonly referred to as State prescription drug monitoring programs or PDMPs. States implement and maintain the PDMP databases on controlled substances prescribed and filled by pharmacies within their borders to achieve public health and law enforcement objectives.

Sections 5701 and 7332 are VA statutes that afford privacy protections to the information of veterans and their dependents, as well as active-duty servicemembers under section 5701, and to VA patients with certain medical conditions. The Act authorizes new