

Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-8352, or via e-mail at [rfs.regs@dhs.gov](mailto:rfs.regs@dhs.gov). When submitting comments by e-mail add the USCIS File Number (OMB-22) in the subject box.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate 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;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Overview of this information collection:*

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* National Interest Waivers; Supplemental Evidence to I-140 and I-485.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection:* No Agency Form Number; File No. OMB-22. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals or Households. The supplemental documentation will be used by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services to determine eligibility for national interest waiver requests and to finalize the request for adjustment to lawful permanent resident status.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 8,000 responses, two responses per respondent, at one (1) hour per response.

*An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 16,000 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument,

please visit the USCIS Web site at: <http://www.regulations.gov/search/index.jsp>.

We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Regulatory Management Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529, Telephone number 202-272-8377.

Dated: January 28, 2008.

**Stephen Tarragon,**

*Deputy Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Customs and Border Protection

#### Request for Applicants for Appointment to the Departmental Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of Customs and Border Protection and Related Homeland Security Functions (COAC)

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

**ACTION:** Committee Management; request for applicants for appointment to the Departmental Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of Customs and Border Protection and Related Homeland Security Functions (COAC).

**SUMMARY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is requesting individuals who are interested in serving on the Departmental Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of Customs and Border Protection and Related Homeland Security Functions (COAC) to apply for appointment. COAC provides advice and makes recommendations to the Commissioner of CBP, Secretary of Homeland Security, and Secretary of the Treasury on all matters involving the commercial operations of CBP and related DHS functions.

**DATES:** Applications for membership should reach CBP on or before April 1, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** If you wish to apply for membership, your application should be sent to CBP by one of the following methods:

- *E-mail:* [Traderelations@dhs.gov](mailto:Traderelations@dhs.gov).
- *Facsimile:* (202) 344-2064.

- *Mail:* Ms. Wanda J. Tate, Program Management Analyst, Office of International Affairs and Trade Relations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue,

NW., Room 8.5C, Washington, DC 20229.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Wanda J. Tate, Program Management Analyst, Office of International Affairs and Trade Relations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, (202) 344-1440, Fax (202) 344-2064.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Departmental Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of Customs and Border Protection and Related Homeland Security Functions (COAC) is an advisory committee established in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C., app.).

*Purpose and Objective:* The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Commissioner of Customs and Border Protection, the Secretary of Homeland Security, and the Secretary of the Treasury on all matters involving the commercial operations of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and related functions within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) or Treasury, and to submit an annual report to Congress describing its operations and setting forth any recommendations. The Committee provides a critical and unique forum for distinguished representatives of diverse industry sectors to present their views and advice directly to senior Treasury, DHS, and CBP officials. This is done on a regular basis in an open and candid atmosphere.

*Balanced Membership Plans:* The members will be selected by the Commissioner of CBP (subject to approval by the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Secretary of the Treasury) from representatives of the trade and transportation community that do business with CBP, or others who are directly affected by CBP commercial operations and related functions. In addition, members will represent major regions of the country, and, by statute, not more than ten of the Committee's members may be affiliated with the same political party.

#### Background

In the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987 (Pub. L. 100-203), Congress directed the Secretary of the Treasury to create an Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of the U.S. Customs Service (now CBP). The Committee is to consist of twenty members drawn from industry sectors affected by CBP commercial operations with balanced political party affiliations. The Committee's first two-year charter was filed on October 17, 1988, and the Committee has been

renewed for subsequent two-year terms nine times since then.

With the creation of DHS, the Secretary of the Treasury delegated a joint chair and Committee management role to the Secretary of Homeland Security (see Treasury Department Order No. 100-16, 19 CFR Part 0 Appx.). In Delegation Number 7010.3 (May, 2006), the Secretary of Homeland Security delegated to the Commissioner of CBP the authority to preside jointly with Treasury over the meetings of the Committee, to make appointments (subject to approval of the Secretary of Homeland Security) to COAC jointly with Treasury, and to receive COAC advice.

It is expected that, during its eleventh two-year term, the Committee will consider issues relating to enhanced border and cargo supply chain security. COAC will continue to provide advice and report on matters such as CBP modernization and automation, informed compliance and compliance assessment, account-based processing, commercial enforcement and uniformity, international efforts to harmonize customs practices and procedures, strategic planning, northern border and southern border issues, and relationships with foreign customs authorities.

#### Committee Meetings

The Committee meets at least once each quarter, although additional meetings may be scheduled. Generally, every other meeting of the Committee may be held outside of Washington, DC, usually at a CBP port of entry.

#### Committee Membership

Membership on the Committee is personal to the appointee and is concurrent with the two-year duration of the charter for the eleventh term. Under the Charter, a member may not send an alternate to represent him or her at a Committee meeting. However, since Committee meetings are open to the public, another person from a member's organization may attend and observe the proceedings in a nonparticipating capacity. Regular attendance is essential; the Charter provides that a member who is absent for two consecutive meetings or two meetings in a calendar year shall be recommended for replacement on the Committee.

No person who is required to register under the Foreign Agents Registration Act as an agent or representative of a foreign principal may serve on this advisory committee.

Members who are currently serving on the Committee are eligible to re-apply for membership provided that

they are not in their second consecutive term and that they have met attendance requirements. A new application letter (see **ADDRESSES** above) is required, but it may incorporate by reference materials previously filed (please attach courtesy copies).

Members will not be paid compensation by the Federal Government for their services with respect to the COAC.

#### Application for Advisory Committee Appointment

There is no prescribed format for the application. Applicants may send a letter describing their interest and qualifications and enclose a resume.

Any interested person wishing to serve on the Committee must provide the following:

- Statement of interest and reasons for application;
- Complete professional biography or resume;
- Political affiliation, in order to ensure balanced representation (mandatory). If no party registration or allegiance exists, indicate "independent" or "unaffiliated".

In addition, all applicants must state in their applications that they agree to submit to pre-appointment background and tax checks (mandatory). However, a national security clearance is not required for the position.

In support of the policy of DHS on gender and ethnic diversity, qualified women and members of minority groups are encouraged to apply for membership.

Dated: January 30, 2008.

**W. Ralph Basham,**

*Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5186-N-05]

#### Federal Property Suitable as Facilities To Assist the Homeless

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This Notice identifies unutilized, underutilized, excess, and surplus Federal property reviewed by HUD for suitability for possible use to assist the homeless.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 1, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kathy Ezzell, Department of Housing

and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7262, Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708-1234; TTY number for the hearing- and speech-impaired (202) 708-2565, (these telephone numbers are not toll-free), or call the toll-free Title V information line at 800-927-7588.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the December 12, 1988 court order in *National Coalition for the Homeless v. Veterans Administration*, No. 88-2503-OG (D.D.C.), HUD publishes a Notice, on a weekly basis, identifying unutilized, underutilized, excess and surplus Federal buildings and real property that HUD has reviewed for suitability for use to assist the homeless. Today's Notice is for the purpose of announcing that no additional properties have been determined suitable or unsuitable this week.

Dated: January 24, 2008.

**Mark R. Johnston,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5152-N-03]

#### Final Fair Market Rents for the Housing Choice Voucher Program and Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy Program for Fiscal Year 2008; Revised for Selected Areas

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of Final Fair Market Rents (FMRs) for Fiscal Year 2008, Update.

**SUMMARY:** This notice updates the FMRs for Gulfport-Biloxi, MS, and Pascagoula, MS, to accommodate continuing rental market impacts of Hurricane Katrina.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 1, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For technical information on the methodology used to develop FMRs or a listing of all FMRs, please call the HUD USER information line at (800) 245-2691 or access the information on the HUD Web site, <http://www.huduser.org/datasets/fmr.html>. Any questions related to use of FMRs or voucher payment standards should be directed to the respective local HUD program staff. Questions on how to conduct FMR surveys or further methodological explanations may be addressed to Marie L. Lihn or Lynn A. Rodgers, Economic and Market Analysis Division, Office of Economic Affairs, Office of Policy Development and