

APTA Standard SS-M-016-06, "Standard for Safety Appliances for Rail Passenger Cars," as an alternative means to comply with 49 CFR part 231.

APTA has submitted a final copy of APTA Standard SS-M-016-06, together with a table that compares the APTA standard to FRA's safety appliance regulations contained in 49 CFR part 231 and drawings (referred to as plates) that reflect placement of safety appliances in accordance with the APTA standard. An annex has also been included in the APTA standard, which contains a sample car inspection checklist that could be used by railroads and car builders for quality control and to confirm proper design and installation of the safety appliances on newly manufactured passenger cars. All of these documents are available in Docket Number FRA-2007-0010, the docket for this proceeding, which can be accessed online at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Written comments on this petition must be received by April 7, 2008. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent possible without incurring additional expenses or delays. You may submit written comments and related information (identified by Docket Number FRA-2007-0010) by any of the following methods:

Web site: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Mail: Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.

Hand Delivery or Courier: West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
Fax: 202-493-2251.

FRA anticipates being able to resolve this petition without a public, oral hearing. However, if FRA receives a specific request for a public, oral hearing prior to April 7, 2008, one will be scheduled, and FRA will publish a supplemental notice in the **Federal Register** to inform interested parties of the date, time, and location of any such hearing.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any

personal information provided. You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477-78), or you may visit <http://DocketsInfo.dot.gov>.

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Deputy Associate Administrator for Safety Standards and Program Development.

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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 *seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. 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 December 11, 2007, and comments were due by February 11, 2008. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 7, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rita Jackson, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-0284; or e-mail: rita.jackson@marad.dot.gov. Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration (MARAD).

Title: U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Candidate Application for Admission.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0010.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals desiring to become students at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.

Forms: KP 2-65.

Abstract: The collection consists of Parts I, II, and III of Form KP 2-65 (U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Candidate Application). Part I of the form is completed by individuals wishing to be

admitted as students to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 12,500 hours.

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.

Comments Are Invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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.

Authority: 49 CFR 1.66.

Issued in Washington, DC on February 20, 2008.

Christine Gurland,

Acting Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2008-0019]

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 KELANA.

SUMMARY: As authorized by Public Law 105-383 and Public Law 107-295, 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 brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD-2008-0019 at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S.