

Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-5979.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel THE KRAKEN is:

*Intended Use:* "Charter sail boat."

*Geographic Region:* "Texas, Florida, California."

#### Privacy Act

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Dated: April 2, 2008.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

**Christine Gurland,**

*Acting Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2008 0032]

#### 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 BELLISSIMA.

**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-2008-0032 at <http://www.regulations.gov>. 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, in accordance with Public Law 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), 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 in that business, a waiver will not be granted. 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.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before May 12, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2008-0032.

Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. 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://www.regulations.gov>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joann Spittle, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W21-203, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-5979.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel BELLISSIMA is:

*Intended Use:* "Carrying passengers for hire only."

*Geographic Region:* "Commercial service between Port of Bellingham, WA and Coronado, CA, adjacent and coastal waters only"

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**Christine Gurland,**

*Acting Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[NHTSA Docket No. NHTSA-2008-0071]

#### National Advisory Council; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** National Advisory Council; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** NHTSA announces a meeting of the National Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (NEMSAC) to be held in Washington, DC. This notice announces the date, time and location of the meeting, which will be open to the public. The purpose of NEMSAC is to establish a nationally recognized council of emergency medical services representatives and consumers to provide advice and recommendations regarding EMS to the U.S. DOT's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on April 24, 2008 from 8:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. and April 25, 2008 from 8:45 a.m. to 12 Noon. A public comment period will take place on April 25, 2008, between 10:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

*Comment Date:* Written comments or requests to make oral presentations must be received by April 17, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Conference Rooms # 8-10, Main Floor, West Wing, Washington, DC 20590. Persons wishing to make an oral presentation or who are unable to attend or speak at the meeting may submit written comments. Written comments and requests to make oral presentations at the meeting should reach Drew Dawson at the address listed below and must be received by April 17, 2008.

All submissions received must include the docket number, NHTSA-2008-0071 and may be submitted by any one of the following methods:

You may submit or retrieve comments online through the Document Management System (DMS) at <http://dms.dot.gov/submit>. The DMS is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Electronic submission and

retrieval help guidelines are available under the help section of the Web site.

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded from the **Federal Register's** home page at <http://www.archives.gov> and the *Government Printing Office's* database at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara>.

Please note that even after the comment closing date, we will continue to file relevant information in the docket as it becomes available.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Drew Dawson, Director, Office of Emergency Medical Services, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., NTI-140, Washington, DC 20590, Telephone number (202) 366-9966; E-mail [Drew.Dawson@dot.gov](mailto:Drew.Dawson@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 1 *et seq.*) The NEMSAC will be holding its first meeting on Thursday and Friday, April 24 and 25, 2008, in Conference rooms #8-10 on the Main Floor, West Wing, of the U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

**Agenda of Council Meeting, April 24-25, 2008**

The tentative agenda includes the following:

**Thursday, April 24, 2008**

- (1) Federal Advisory Committee Act and Ethics Briefing;
- (2) Swearing in of members;
- (3) Introduction of Chair and Self-introduction of members;
- (4) Charge to Council and Chair's remarks;
- (5) Office of EMS overview;
- (6) Overview of Federal Interagency Committee on EMS (FICEMS);
- (7) Overview of Office of EMS projects.

**Friday, April 25, 2008**

- (1) NEMSAC Operations & Procedures;
- (2) Council Discussion of EMS issues;
- (3) Public comment period;
- (4) Next steps and future meetings.

A public comment period will take place on April 25, 2008, between 10:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

*Public Attendance:* The meeting is open to the public. Persons with disabilities who require special assistance should advise Drew Dawson

of their anticipated special needs as early as possible. Members of the public who wish to make comments on Friday, April 25 between 10:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. are requested to register in advance. In order to allow as many people as possible to speak, speakers are requested to limit their remarks to 3 minutes. For those wishing to submit written comments, please follow the procedure noted above.

This meeting will be open to the public. Individuals wishing to register must provide their name, affiliation, phone number, and e-mail address to Drew Dawson by e-mail at [drew.dawson@dot.gov](mailto:drew.dawson@dot.gov) or by telephone at (202) 366-9966 no later than April 17, 2008. There will be limited seating, so please register early. Pre-registration is necessary to comply with security procedures. Picture I.D. must also be provided to enter the DOT Building and it is suggested that visitors arrive 30 minutes early in order to facilitate entry. The Visitor entrance is on the New Jersey Avenue side of the building.

Minutes of the NEMSAC Meeting will be available to the public online through the DOT Document Management System (DMS) at: <http://dms.dot.gov> under the docket number listed at the beginning of this notice.

**Jeffrey P. Michael,**

*Acting Associate Administrator for Research and Program Development.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration**

**[Docket No. PHMSA-2008-22720 (Notice No. 08-04)]**

**Hazardous Materials Instructor Training Grants Program; Availability of Funds**

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) announces the availability of funds and solicitation of applications for grants to be awarded under the Hazardous Materials Instructor Training (HMIT) Grants Program for fiscal year 2009. The HMIT Grants Program is open to non-profit hazardous materials (hazmat) employee organizations demonstrating expertise in conducting a training program for hazmat employees, and the ability to reach a target population of hazmat employees. For

the purposes of the HMIT Grants program, an "employee organization" is a labor union, association, group, or similar organization the members of which are hazmat employees and the stated purpose of which is to represent hazmat employees.

**DATES:** Application packages will be available April 15, 2008. Completed applications must be submitted by July 15, 2008. Grants will be awarded in September 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications may be submitted electronically at <http://www.grants.gov> or mailed to Charles G. Rogoff, HMIT Grants Manager, Office of Hazardous Materials Planning and Analysis; Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration; U.S. Department of Transportation; Room E23-301; East Building 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Washington, DC 20590.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Charles G. Rogoff, HMIT Grants Manager; Office of Hazardous Materials Planning and Analysis; Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration; U.S. Department of Transportation; Room E23-301; East Building 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Washington, DC 20590; Telephone: 202-366-0001.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Availability of Funds.* The Hazardous Materials Transportation Safety and Security Reauthorization Act of 2005 (the Act; Title VII of Pub. L. 109-59, 119 Stat. 1144 (August 10, 2005)) provides for the Secretary of Transportation, subject to the availability of funds, to make grants for training instructors to train hazardous materials employees (hazmat employees) and, to the extent determined appropriate, for such instructors to train hazmat employees. The Hazardous Materials Instructor Training (HMIT) Grants Program is funded by registration fees collected from certain hazardous materials shippers and carriers in accordance with 49 CFR Part 107, Subpart G. Approximately \$4,000,000 will be awarded in September 2008 for the HMIT Grants Program. These awards are available for use during a twelve-month budget period [October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009]. We expect grant awards to range from \$250,000 to \$500,000 depending upon the number and quality of applications received. We encourage the addition of non-Federal funds to support the training program, but cost-sharing or matching funding is not required.

*Objective of the HMIT Grants Program.* The objective of the HMIT Grants Program is to "train the trainer"—that is, to train hazmat