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Dated: May 7, 2008.

William R. Tobey,

Acting Executive Director, Federal Labor Relations Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

[Docket No. USCG-2008-0283]

Special Local Regulation: Harvard-Yale Regatta, New London, CT

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce the regulation for Regattas and Marine Parades found at 33 CFR 100.101 for the annual Harvard-Yale Regatta, Thames River, New London, CT from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on June 14, 2008. This action is necessary to control the anticipated heavy recreational vessel traffic of both event participants and observers, and other waterways users within the immediate vicinity of the event, thus providing for the safety of life and property of the maritime community on the affected navigable waters. During the enforcement period, no person or vessel may enter, transit, or remain in the regulated area within the Thames River, as detailed in 33 CFR 100.101, unless participating in the event or unless authorized by the Coast Guard patrol commander.

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 100.101 will be effective from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on June 14, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lieutenant D. Miller, Chief, Waterways Management Division, Coast Guard Sector Long Island Sound at (203) 468-4596.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce the permanent special local regulation found in 33 CFR 100.101 concerning the Harvard-Yale Regatta, Thames River, New London, CT from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on June 14, 2008. Under the provisions of 33 CFR 100.101, a portion of the navigable waters of the Thames River will be closed during the effective period to all persons and vessel traffic, except for vessels participating in the event and local, state or Coast

Guard patrol craft. Further, 33 CFR 100.101 provides regulations for mooring, anchoring and transiting near the event race course. The Coast Guard may be assisted by other Federal, State, or local law enforcement agencies in enforcing this regulation.

This notice is issued under the authority of 33 CFR 100.101 and 5 U.S.C. 552(a). In addition to this notice in the **Federal Register**, public notification will be made via the First Coast Guard District Local Notice to Mariners and marine safety broadcasts.

Dated: April 30, 2008.

D.A. Ronan,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Long Island Sound.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG-2008-0338]

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Safety Zone; Fireworks Displays, Anacostia River, Washington, DC

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone upon specified waters of the Anacostia River. This action is necessary to provide for the safety of life on navigable waters during scheduled fireworks displays launched along the shoreline near the newly-constructed Washington Nationals Ballpark, in Washington, DC. This action will restrict vessel traffic in a portion of the Anacostia River.

DATES: This rule is effective from April 25, 2008 through September 19, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket are part of docket USCG-2008-0338 and are available online at www.regulations.gov. They are also available for inspection or copying at two locations: 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, and the Commander, Coast Guard Sector Baltimore, 2401 Hawkins Point Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21226-1791,

between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this temporary rule, call Mr. Ronald L. Houck, Coast Guard Sector Baltimore, at (410) 576-2674 or (410) 576-2693. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory Information

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B) and (d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing an NPRM and for making this regulation effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. Publishing an NPRM and delaying its effective date would be contrary to public interest, since immediate action is needed to protect mariners on the Anacostia River against potential hazards associated with fireworks displays, such as the accidental discharge of fireworks and falling hot embers or other debris.

Request for Comments

Although we did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking, we encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments and related materials. If you do so, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this rulemaking (USCG-2008-0338), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and give the reason for each comment. Please submit all comments and related material in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying. If you would like to know they reached us, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the effective period. We may change this rule in view of them.

Background and Purpose

Fireworks displays are frequently held from locations on or near the navigable waters of the United States. The accidental discharge of fireworks and falling hot embers or other debris are a safety concern during such events. The Coast Guard has the authority to impose appropriate controls on marine events that may pose a threat to persons, vessels and facilities under its jurisdiction. The purpose of this rule is to promote maritime safety, and to protect mariners transiting the area from the potential hazards associated with a fireworks display. The rule is needed to