environmental interests; (11) one member representing the general public and (12) one member representing recreational boaters. Each member serves for a term of two (2) years and may serve two (2) consecutive terms. Members serve voluntarily, without compensation from the Federal Government for salary, travel, or per diem.

In support of the policy of the Coast Guard on gender and ethnic diversity, we encourage qualified women and members of minority groups to apply.

If you are selected as a nonrepresentative member, or as a member who represents the general public, you will be appointed and serve as a special Government employee (SGE) as defined in section 202(a) of title 18, United States Code. As a candidate for appointment as a SGE, applicants are required to complete a Confidential Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 450). A completed OGE Form 450 is not releasable to the public except under an order issued by a Federal court or as otherwise provided under the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a). Only the Designated Agency Ethics Official or the DAEO's designate may release a Confidential Financial Disclosure Report.

If you are interested in applying to become a member of the Committee, send a completed application to Commander (spw) Designated Federal Officer (DFO) of HOGANSAC, USCG Sector Houston-Galveston, 9640 Clinton Drive, Houston, TX 77029. Send the application in time for it to be received by the DFO on or before February 14, 2009

Dated: December 3, 2008.

### Joel R. Whitehead,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

**Coast Guard** 

[Docket No. USCG-2008-1190]

### Towing Safety Advisory Committee; Vacancies

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS. **ACTION:** Request for applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard seeks applications for membership on the Towing Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC). TSAC advises the Coast Guard on matters relating to shallow-draft inland and coastal waterway navigation and towing safety.

**DATES:** Application forms should reach the Coast Guard on or before February 16, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Application forms are available for download on the Advisory Committee's Web site at http:// homeport.uscg.mil/tsac; look for "ACM" (Application for Committee Membership) under "General Information." You may also request that an application form be e-mailed or sent to you by writing to Commandant (CG-5221/TSAC); U.S. Coast Guard, Room 1210; 2100 Second Street, SW.; Washington, DC 20593-0001; by calling 202-372-1407; or by e-mail to Gerald.P.Miante@uscg.mil. Be sure to sign and include the short page that allows us to keep political affiliation on file. In addition to your "HOME ADDRESS," please include your e-mail address in that block. Also, in addition to your phone number, please indicate your fax number in the "TELEPHONE" block. Also, a copy of the application form, as well as this notice, is available on the Internet at http:// www.Regulations.gov in docket USCG-2008-1190. Send your original completed and signed application in written form to Mr. Miante at the above street address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gerald Miante Assistant Designated Federal Officer of TSAC; telephone 202–372–1407, fax 202–372–1926, or e-mail Gerald.P.Miante@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Towing Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC) is a Federal advisory committee under 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92–463). It was established under authority of 33 U.S.C. 1231a. It advises the Secretary of Homeland Security on matters relating to shallow-draft inland and coastal waterway navigation and towing safety. This advice also assists the Coast Guard in formulating the position of the United States in advance of meetings of the International Maritime Organization.

TSAC meets at least once a year in Washington, DC, or another location selected by the Coast Guard. It may also meet for extraordinary purposes. Its subcommittees and working groups may meet to consider specific issues as required. The 16-person membership includes 7 representatives of the Barge and Towing Industry (reflecting a regional geographical balance); 1 member from the Offshore Mineral and Oil Supply Vessel Industry; and 2 members from each of the following areas: Maritime Labor; Shippers (of whom at least one shall be engaged in the shipment of oil or hazardous materials by barge); Port Districts,

Authorities, or Terminal Operators; and the General Public.

The Coast Guard is currently considering applications for five positions that will become vacant on September 30, 2009: two positions from the Barge and Towing Industry; one position from the Offshore Mineral and Oil Supply Vessel Industry; one position from Shippers (who need not be engaged in the shipment of oil or hazardous materials by barge); and one position from the General Public. To be eligible, applicants should have particular expertise, knowledge, and experience relative to the position in towing operations, marine transportation, or business operations associated with shallow-draft inland and coastal waterway navigation and towing safety. Each member serves for a three-year term. A few members may serve consecutive terms. All members serve at their own expense and receive no salary or other compensation from the Federal Government, with the exception of possible reimbursement for travel expenses depending on budgetary constraints.

In support of the policy of DHS and the Coast Guard on gender and ethnic diversity, we encourage qualified women and members of minority groups to apply.

Members of TSAC selected from the General Public will be appointed and serve as non-representative members, or Special Government Employees (SGE), as defined in section 202(a) of title 18, United States Code (18 U.S.C.). As a candidate for appointment as an SGE, applicants are required to complete a Confidential Financial Disclosure Report (CFDR) on Office of Government Ethics Form 450 (OGE Form 450). A completed OGE Form 450 is not releasable to the public except under an order issued by a Federal court or as otherwise provided under the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a). Only the Designated Agency Ethics Official (DAEO) or the DAEO's designate may release a CFDR.

When filling in the "Name of Committee you are interested in" block, please indicate "TSAC" followed by the position category (e.g., 'Barge and Towing,' 'Offshore,' 'Shippers,' or 'Public') for which you are applying.

If you are interested in applying to become a member of the Committee, send a completed application to Mr. Miante as noted in **ADDRESSES** above. Send the application in time for it to be received on or before February 16, 2009.

A copy of the application form is available in the docket for this notice. To visit our online docket, go to <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>, enter the docket number for this notice (USCG—

2008–1190) in the Search box, and click "Go."

Dated: December 11, 2008.

#### J.G. Lantz,

Director, Commercial Regulations and Standards.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

# Federal Emergency Management Agency

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice; 60-day notice and request for comments; Revision of a currently approved collection, OMB Number 1660–0083, FEMA Form 116–1, FEMA Form 085–1, FEMA Form 090–1.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to

comment on a continuing information collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning the Loan Package for Community Disaster Loans and Special Community Disaster Loan Programs. This collection allows the government to make loans to communities that have suffered economic problems due to disasters.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Community Disaster Loan Program (CDL) is authorized by Section 417 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 93-288, as amended, provides policies and procedures for local governments and State and Federal officials concerning the Community Disaster Loan Program; FEMA regulations 44 CFR, Part 206.364, Subpart K, implements the statutes. The Assistant Administrator may make a CDL to any local government which has suffered a substantial loss of tax or other revenues as a result of a major disaster or emergency and which demonstrates a need for Federal financial assistance in order to perform its governmental functions.

#### **Collection of Information**

*Title:* Application for Community Disaster Loan (CDL) Program and the

Special Community Disaster Loan (SCDL) Program.

Type of Information Collection: Revision of a currently approved collection.

OMB Number: 1660-0083.

Form Numbers: FEMA Form 116–1 Promissory Note, FEMA Form 085–1 Local Government Resolution Collateral Security, and FEMA Form 090–1 Certification of Eligibility for Community Disaster Loans.

Abstract: The Loan Package for the Community Disaster Loan and Special Community Disaster Loan Programs provides States, Local and Tribal governments that have suffered substantial loss of tax or other revenues as a result of a major disaster or emergency, the opportunity to obtain financial assistance in order to perform their governmental functions. Local governments can submit a loan package for the traditional and Special Community Disaster Loan Programs. These loans must be justified on the basis of need and actual expenses.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 875 hours.

TABLE A.12—ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS AND COSTS

Type of respondent	Form name/form No.	No. of respondents	No. of re- sponses per respondent	Avg. burden per response (in hours)	Total annual burden (in hours)	Avg. hourly wage rate	Total annual respondent cost
Local Govern- ment.	Certification of Eligibility for Community Disaster Loans/FEMA Form 090–1.	50	1	2.5	125	\$46.22	\$5,778
Local Govern- ment.	Promissory Note/ FEMA Form 116–1.	50	1	4.0	200	46.22	9,244
Local Govern- ment.	Local Government Resolution—Collat- eral Security/FEMA Form 085–1.	50	1	10.0	500	46.22	23,110
Local Govern- ment.	Letter of Application	50	1	1.0	50	46.22	2,311
Total		50			875		40,443

Estimated Cost: The estimated annualized cost to respondents based on wage rate categories is \$40,443.00. The estimated annual cost to the Federal Government is \$1,009,800.00.

Comments: Written comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of

information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) 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. Comments must be submitted on or February 17, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit written comments to Office of Management, Records Management Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, Mail Drop Room 301.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact John Wilmot, Community Disaster Loan Program Manager, Public Assistance Division, Disaster Assistance