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### Background and Purpose

NVIC 11-93, which was last revised in November 2003, provides guidance on tonnages used for documentation purposes and the applicability of a vessel's tonnage assignment under domestic regulatory and international tonnage measurement systems to both domestic regulations and international standards. It also clarifies the applicability of U.S. tonnage measurement systems to U.S. flag vessels based on vessel type, length, service, and vessel keel laid date or date of last substantial alteration. Definitions of frequently used terms, including convention length and deck cargo are provided to ensure consistency for users of NVIC 11-93.

Since its latest revision, multiple regulations and standards with tonnage thresholds, such as Non-Tank Vessel

Response Plans, Long Range Identification Tracking System, and the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) Annex VI, have come into force. To reflect these developments and incorporate updates of an administrative nature, the Coast Guard is considering the following changes:

(1) Adding new enclosures discussing the implications of tonnage changes that result from vessel alterations, changes in vessel service, or the addition of temporary deck equipment. This would include discussion of loss of tonnage grandfathering provisions under Article 3(2)(d) of the 1969 International Tonnage Convention and associated interim schemes for the Safety of Life At Sea (SOLAS) and Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) international conventions.

(2) Amending Section 2 of Enclosure 1. The Coast Guard would clarify the definition of the terms, "overall length" and "remeasurement," to provide more detail on their applicability. We would also add the terms, "registered length" and "alternate tonnage."

(3) Providing additional examples of tonnage application. The Coast Guard will provide examples of tonnage application that are reflective of newly implemented domestic regulations and international standards.

(4) Amending Tables 5, 6, and 7 of Enclosure 1. The Coast Guard will revise language in Tables 5, 6, and 7 to more comprehensively address international tonnage grandfathering provisions, and reflect the correct date that MARPOL came into force.

(5) Incorporating administrative changes such as updating contact information and making editorial corrections.

### Request for Comments

The Coast Guard requests your general comments on the revision under consideration. We also seek comments on any or all of the specific proposed revisions for NVIC 11-93 CH-3. We encourage suggestions for specific examples of tonnage grandfathering, remeasurement, or the use of interim schemes. Written comments and responses will be added to the docket number for this notice (USCG-2010-0025). The Coast Guard intends to review and analyze all comments received in order to develop the next revision to NVIC 11-93.

**Authority:** This notice is issued under authority of 5 U.S.C. 552 and 46 U.S.C. 14301.

Dated: February 19, 2010.

**Jeff Lantz,**

*Director, Commercial Regulations and Standards, U.S. Coast Guard.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[USCG-2010-0074]

### South Texas Area Maritime Security (STAMS) Committee; Vacancies

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Solicitation for membership.

**SUMMARY:** This notice requests individuals interested in serving on the South Texas Area Maritime Security (STAMS) Committee to submit their application for membership to the Captain of the Port, Corpus Christi, Texas.

**DATES:** Requests for membership should reach the Corpus Christi Captain of the Port on or before April 15, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Requests for membership should be submitted to the Captain of the Port at the following address: Commander, USCG Sector Corpus Christi, 8930 Ocean Drive, Hangar 41, Corpus Christi, Texas 78419.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions about submitting an application or about the STAMSC in general, contact Mr. John Zarbock at 361-888-3162 (X501).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Authority

Section 102 of the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA) of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-295) added section 70112 to Title 46 of the U.S. Code, and authorized the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating to establish Area Maritime Security Advisory Committees for any port area of the United States. (*See* 33 U.S.C. 1226; 46 U.S.C.; 33 CFR 1.05-1, 6.01; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1). The MTSA includes a provision exempting these Area Maritime Security (AMS) Committees from the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-436, 86 Stat. 470 (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The AMSCs shall assist the Captain of the Port in the review, update, and exercising of the AMS Plan for their area of responsibility. Such matters may include, but are not limited to: Identifying critical port infrastructure and operations; Identifying risks

(threats, vulnerabilities, and consequences); Determining mitigation strategies and implementation methods; Developing strategies to facilitate the recovery of the MTS after a Transportation Security Incident; Developing and describing the process to continually evaluate overall port security by considering consequences and vulnerabilities, how they may change over time, and what additional mitigation strategies can be applied; and Providing advice to, and assisting the Captain of the Port in developing and maintaining the Area maritime Security Plan.

#### STAMS Committee Membership

Members of the AMSC should have at least 5 years of experience related to maritime or port security operations. The South Texas AMSC has fourteen members, made up of at least one individual from the Corpus Christi, Rio Grande Valley, Port of Port Lavaca-Point Comfort and Victoria Barge Canal, Port Security Working Groups (PSWG). We are seeking to fill two vacancies with this solicitation. Applicants may be required to pass an appropriate security background check prior to appointment to the committee. Members' term of office will be for 5 years; however, a member is eligible to serve an additional term of office. Members will not receive any salary or other compensation for their service on the AMSC. In support of the USCG policy on gender and ethnic diversity, we encourage qualified women and members of minority groups to apply.

#### Request for Applications

Those seeking membership are not required to submit formal applications to the local Captain of the Port; however, because we do have an obligation to ensure that a specific number of members have the prerequisite maritime security experience, we encourage the submission of résumés highlighting experience in the maritime and security industries.

Dated: February 19, 2010.

#### R.J. Paulison,

*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Federal Maritime Security Coordinator, Corpus Christi.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5374-N-06]

### Buy American Exceptions Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111-05, approved February 17, 2009) (Recovery Act), and implementing guidance of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), this notice advises that certain exceptions to the Buy American requirement of the Recovery Act have been determined applicable for work using Capital Fund Recovery Formula and Competition (CFRFC) grant funds. Specifically, an exception was granted to the Bedford Township Housing Commission for the purchase and use of coil roofing nails for a re-roofing project at the Ivor Lindsay Housing Complex.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dominique G. Blom, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Housing Investments, Office of Public Housing Investments, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4210, Washington, DC 20410-4000, telephone number 202-402-8500 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing- or speech-impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 1605(a) of the Recovery Act provides that none of the funds appropriated or made available by the Recovery Act may be used for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public work unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States. Section 1605(b) provides that the Buy American requirement shall not apply in any case or category in which the head of a Federal department or agency finds that: (1) Applying the Buy American requirement would be inconsistent with the public interest; (2) iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality, or (3) inclusion of iron, steel, and manufactured goods will increase

the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent. Section 1605(c) provides that if the head of a Federal department or agency makes a determination pursuant to section 1605(b), the head of the department or agency shall publish a detailed written justification in the **Federal Register**.

In accordance with section 1605(c) of the Recovery Act and OMB's implementing guidance published on April 23, 2009 (74 FR 18449), this notice advises the public that, on February 3, 2010, upon request of the Bedford Township Housing Commission, HUD granted an exception to the applicability of the Buy American requirements with respect to work, using CFRFC grant funds, based on the fact that the relevant manufactured goods (coil roofing nails) are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality.

Dated: February 26, 2010.

#### Sandra B. Henriquez,

*Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

[Docket No. MMS-2009-OMM-0013]

### MMS Information Collection Activity: 1010-0006, Leasing of Sulphur or Oil and Gas in the Outer Continental Shelf and Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing, Extension of a Collection; Submitted for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of an information collection (1010-0006).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we have submitted to OMB an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR 256, "Leasing of Sulphur or Oil and Gas in the Outer Continental Shelf," and 30 CFR 260, "Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing," and related documents. This notice also provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of these regulatory requirements.

**DATES:** Submit written comments by April 5, 2010.