In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 31136(e) and 31315, each exemption will be valid for 2 years unless revoked earlier by FMCSA. The exemption will be revoked if: (1) The person fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the exemption; (2) the exemption has resulted in a lower level of safety than was maintained before it was granted; or (3) continuation of the exemption would not be consistent with the goals and objectives of 49 U.S.C. 31136 and 31315.

If the exemption is still effective at the end of the 2-year period, the person may apply to FMCSA for a renewal under procedures in effect at that time.

Issued on: February 28, 2012.

## Larry W. Minor,

Associate Administrator for Policy. [FR Doc. 2012–5520 Filed 3–6–12; 8:45 am]

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Maritime Administration**

[Docket No. MARAD 2012 0029]

# Information Collection Available for Public Comments and Recommendations

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Maritime Administration's (MARAD's) intentions to request extension of approval for three years of a currently approved information collection.

**DATES:** Comments should be submitted on or before May 7, 2012.

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

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Maritime Administration Service Obligation Compliance Annual Report (Formerly, Service Obligation Compliance Report and Merchant Marine Reserve/U.S. Naval Reserve Annual Report).

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2133–0509. Form Numbers: MA–930. Expiration Date of Approval: Three years after date of approval by the Office of Management and Budget.

Summary of Collection of Information: The Maritime Education and Training Act of 1980, imposes a service obligation on every graduate of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and every subsidized State maritime academy graduate who received a student incentive payment. This mandatory service obligation is for the Federal financial assistance the graduate received as a student. In addition, this obligation requires the graduate to maintain a license as an officer in the merchant marine and to report annually on reserve status, training and employment.

Need and Use of the Information: The information collection is necessary to determine if a graduate of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy or subsidized State maritime academy graduate is complying with the terms of the service obligation.

Description of Respondents: Graduates of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and every subsidized State maritime academy graduate who received a student incentive payment.

Annual Responses: 1400. Annual Burden: 467 hours.

Comments: Comments should refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document. Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Comments also may be submitted by electronic means via the Internet at http:// www.regulations.gov. Specifically address whether this information collection is necessary for proper performance of the functions of the agency and will have practical utility, accuracy of the burden estimates, ways to minimize this burden, and ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected. All comments received will be available for examination at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. EDT (or EST), Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. An electronic version of this document is available on the World Wide Web at http:// www.regulations.gov.

Privacy Act: 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.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the Federal Register published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477–78) or you may visit <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>.

Authority: 49 CFR 1.66.

Dated: March 1, 2012.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

#### Julie Agarwal,

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. 2012–5527 Filed 3–6–12; 8:45 am]

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Maritime Administration**

[Docket No. MARAD-2012-0020]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel UNCLE SAM; Invitation for Public Comments

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** As authorized by 46 U.S.C. 12121, 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.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before April 6, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2012-0020. 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, Email Joann.Spittle@dot.gov.

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

*Intended Commercial Use of Vessel:* "Sailing tours, day charters, and