

consideration of cumulative impacts. Public hearings on the draft EA were held on May 30, 2012, in Anchorage, Alaska, and on May 31, 2012, in Barrow, Alaska.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 147

Continental shelf, Marine safety, Navigation (water).

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR part 147 as follows:

PART 147—SAFETY ZONES

■ 1. The authority citation for part 147 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 14 U.S.C. 85; 43 U.S.C. 1333; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1.

■ 2. Add § 147.T17–1143 to read as follows:

§ 147.T17–1143 Safety Zone; KULLUK, Outer Continental Shelf Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit (MODU), Beaufort Sea, Alaska.

(a) *Description.* (1) The KULLUK will be engaged in exploratory drilling operations at various locations in the Beaufort Sea on or about July 1, 2012, through November 30, 2012. The MODU will be anchored while conducting exploratory drilling operations with the center point of the vessel located at the coordinates listed in Table 1. These coordinates are based upon [NAD 83] UTM Zone 3.

TABLE 1—PROSPECT LOCATIONS

| Drill Site | Lease file No. | NR06–04 Flaxman Island lease block No. | Surface location (NAD 83)* | | Distance to mainland shore mi (km) |
|------------------|------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|
| | | | Latitude (N) | Longitude (W) | |
| Sivulliq G | OCS–Y 1805 | 6658 | 70°23'46.82" | 146°01'03.46" | 16.6 (26.7) |
| Sivulliq N | OCS–Y 1805 | 6658 | 70°23'29.58" | 145°58'52.53" | 16.2 (26.1) |
| Torpedo H | OCS–Y 1941 | 6610 | 70°27'01.62" | 145°49'32.07" | 20.8 (33.5) |
| Torpedo J | OCS–Y 1936 | 6559 | 70°28'56.94" | 145°53'47.15" | 23.1 (37.2) |

(2) The navigable waters, from the surface to seabed, within 500 meters (1,640.4 feet) from each point on the outer edge of the vessel, while anchored or deploying and recovering moorings on location, is a safety zone. Lawful demonstrations may be conducted outside of the safety zone.

(b) *Regulation.* No vessel may enter or remain in this safety zone except the following:

(1) An attending vessel; or

(2) A vessel authorized by the Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District, or a designated representative. A “designated representative” is any Coast Guard commissioned, warrant or petty officer of the U.S. Coast Guard who has been designated by the Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District to act on his or her behalf.

(c) *Penalties.* Violation of this regulation may result in criminal or civil penalties, or both.

(d) *Effective period.* This rule is effective from July 1, 2012, and terminates on December 1, 2012, unless sooner terminated by the Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District.

Dated: June 13, 2012.

Thomas P. Ostebo,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG–2012–0429]

RIN 1625–AA00

Eighth Coast Guard District Annual Safety Zones; Blue Angels Air Show; Gulf of Mexico & Santa Rosa Sound; Pensacola, FL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a Safety Zone for the Blue Angels Air Show in the Gulf of Mexico and Santa Rosa Sound, Pensacola, Florida from 12:01 a.m. July 11, 2012 through 11:59 p.m. July 15, 2012. This action is necessary for the safeguard of participants and spectators, including all crews, vessels, and persons on navigable waters during the Blue Angels Air Show. During the enforcement period, entry into, transiting or anchoring in the Safety Zone is prohibited to all vessels not registered with the sponsor as participants or official patrol vessels, unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port (COTP) Mobile or a designated representative.

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 165.801 will be enforced from 12:01 a.m. July 11, 2012, through 11:59 p.m. July 15, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice of enforcement, call or email LT Lenell J. Carson, Coast Guard Sector Mobile, Waterways Division; telephone 251–441–5940 or email Lenell.J.Carson@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce the Safety Zone for the annual Blue Angels Air Show event listed in 33 CFR 165.801 Table 1, Table No. 152; Sector Mobile, No. 11 on July 11 to July 15, 2012.

Under the provisions of 33 CFR 165.801, entry into the safety zone listed in Table 1, Table No. 152; Sector Mobile, No. 11 is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port or a designated representative. Persons or vessels desiring to enter into or passage through the Safety Zone must request permission from the Captain of the Port or a designated representative. If permission is granted, all persons and vessels shall comply with the instructions of the Captain of the Port or designated representative.

This notice is issued under authority of 5 U.S.C. 552 (a); 33 U.S.C. 1231; 46 U.S.C. Chapter 701, 3306, 3703; 50 U.S.C. 191, 195; 33 CFR 1.05–1, 6.04–1, 6.04–6, and 160.5; Pub. L. 107–295, 116 Stat. 2064; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1. In addition to this document in the **Federal Register**, the Coast Guard will provide the maritime community with advance notification of this enforcement period via Local Notice to Mariners and Marine Information Broadcasts.

If the Captain of the Port Mobile or Patrol Commander determines that the

Safety Zone need not be enforced for the full duration stated in this notice of enforcement, he or she may use a Broadcast Notice to Mariners to grant general permission to enter the regulated area.

Dated: May 31, 2012.

D.J. Rose,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Mobile.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG-2012-0393]

RIN 1625-AA00

Safety Zone; Mississippi River, Mile Marker 230.0 to Mile Marker 237.0, in the Vicinity of Baton Rouge, LA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for all waters of the Lower Mississippi River (LMR) beginning at mile marker (MM) 230.0 and ending at MM 237.0, in the vicinity of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The safety zone is needed to protect persons and vessels from the potential safety hazards associated with a maritime salvage operation. Entry into this zone is prohibited unless vessels have met the specified instructions or are specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port New Orleans or a designated representative.

DATES: *Effective date:* This rule is effective in the CFR from July 2, 2012, until 7 a.m. CST October 1, 2012. This rule is effective with actual notice for purposes of enforcement beginning 7 a.m. CST on June 2, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket are part of docket USCG-2012-0393 and are available online by going to <http://www.regulations.gov>, inserting USCG-2012-0393 in the "Keyword" box, and then clicking "Search." They are also available for inspection or copying at 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this temporary

rule, call or email Lieutenant (LT) Chris Norton, Marine Safety Unit Baton Rouge, at 225-298-5400 x230, Christopher.R.Norton@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Table of Acronyms

DHS Department of Homeland Security
FR Federal Register
NPRM Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
LMR Lower Mississippi River
MM Mile Marker

A. Regulatory History and Information

A temporary safety zone for salvage operations resulting from high water incidents in the spring of 2011 was established under docket number USCG-2011-1077 (76 FR 60733). That safety zone was required as a safety measure to ensure protection for persons and vessels involved in the salvage operations and expired on February 15, 2012 when salvage was suspended due to river and weather conditions. This temporary final rule establishes a new safety zone implementing safety measures required for these salvage operations to now resume.

The Coast Guard is issuing this temporary final rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment pursuant to authority under section 4(a) of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) (5 U.S.C. 553(b)). This provision authorizes an agency to issue a rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment when the agency for good cause finds that those procedures are "impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest."

Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) with respect to this rule. The Coast Guard received notice on May 14, 2012 that McKinney Salvage and Heavy Lift Inc. would resume maritime salvage operations in the vicinity of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Due to forecasted river level stages averaging in the teens on the Baton Rouge river gauge around June 2, 2012, the opportunity to resume salvage operations is ideal and presents an immediate need for this safety zone. There is not time to perform the NPRM process for this rule without delaying the effective date for the temporary safety zone. Delaying this safety measure is contrary to the public interest because immediate action is necessary to protect the salvage crew, vessels, and mariners from the hazards

associated with ongoing maritime salvage operations.

For the same reasons, under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. The Coast Guard received notice on May 14, 2012 that McKinney Salvage and Heavy Lift Inc. would resume maritime salvage operations in the vicinity of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Providing 30 days notice would be contrary to the public interest because it would delay the immediate action necessary to protect the salvage crew, vessels, and mariners from the hazards associated with ongoing maritime salvage operations.

B. Basis and Purpose

On May 14, 2012 the Coast Guard received notice that salvage operations would resume on the LMR from MM 230.0 to MM 237.0. These operations will begin on 7 a.m. CST June 2, 2012, and continue until 7 a.m. CST October 1, 2012. The Coast Guard determined that a safety zone is needed to protect the public, mariners, and vessels from the hazards associated with salvage operations the waterway. The operations that will be conducted are critical to maintaining safe navigation on the LMR. Any wake, beyond that created at minimum safe speed, or external force exerted on the salvage platform can compromise the safety of the salvage crew.

The legal basis and authorities for this rule are found in 33 U.S.C. 1231, 46 U.S.C. Chapter 701, 3306, 3703; 50 U.S.C. 191, 195; 33 CFR 1.05-1, 6.04-1, 6.04-6, and 160.5; Pub. L. 107-295, 116 Stat. 2064; and Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1, which collectively authorize the Coast Guard to establish and define regulatory safety zones. To safeguard persons and property from the hazards associated with salvage operations performed on a waterway, the COTP New Orleans will establish a safety zone on the LMR from MM 230.0 to MM 237.0, 7 a.m. CST June 2, 2012, until 7 a.m. CST October 1, 2012.

C. Discussion of the Rule

The Captain of the Port New Orleans will implement a Safety Zone on the LMR extending the entire width of the river from MM 230.0 to MM 237.0. Mariners will be subject to requirements that will be listed in Marine Safety Information Bulletins from 7 a.m. CST on June 2, 2012 until 7 a.m. CST on October 1, 2012.

The temporary safety zone is needed due to McKinney Salvage and Heavy Lift Inc. conducting ongoing maritime