

- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

Abstract of proposed collection: This information collection facilitates a mentor-protégé program per Department of State Acquisition Regulations (DOSAR) 619.202-70 that encourages business agreements between small and large for-profit companies, for the purpose of forming a mentor-protégé relationship that will provide developmental assistance and to enhance the capabilities of the protégé firms to perform as prime contractors and subcontractors on Department of State procurements.

Methodology: Respondents may submit the information by email using the DS-4053, or by letter using fax or postal mail.

Shapleigh C. Drisko,

Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, U.S. Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8525]

Defense Trade Advisory Group; Notice of Cancellation of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Notice of Cancellation of meeting.

SUMMARY: The notice references Public Notice 8515 published in the November 12, 2013 **Federal Register**, announcing the public meeting for Defense Trade Advisory Group (DTAG) on November 22, 2013 to discuss current defense trade issues and topics for further study has been cancelled. It will be rescheduled at a later date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa Aguirre, PM/DDTC, SA-1, 12th Floor, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Bureau of Political Military Affairs, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20522-0112; telephone (202) 663-2830; FAX (202) 261-8199; or email aguirrelv@state.gov.

Dated: November 12, 2013.

Kenneth B. Handelman,

Designated Federal Officer, Defense Trade Advisory Group, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8524]

U.S. Department of State Advisory Committee on Private International Law (ACPIL): Public Meeting on Electronic Commerce

The Office of the Assistant Legal Adviser for Private International Law, Department of State, gives notice of a public meeting to discuss a Working Paper prepared by the Secretariat of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL). The public meeting will take place on Monday, December 2, 2013 from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. EST. This is not a meeting of the full Advisory Committee.

In response to a request from UNCITRAL's Working Group IV (electronic commerce), the UNCITRAL Secretariat has prepared draft provisions on electronic transferable records, which are presented for in the form of a model law to facilitate Working Group discussion. The Working Paper, which is numbered WP.124 and includes WP.124/Add.1, is available online at http://www.uncitral.org/uncitral/en/commission/working_groups/4Electronic_Commerce.html. This Working Paper will be discussed December 9-13, 2013, at the 48th Session of Working Group IV.

The purpose of the public meeting is to obtain the views of concerned stakeholders on the topics addressed in the Working Paper in advance of the meeting of Working Group IV. Those who cannot attend but wish to comment are welcome to do so by email to Michael Coffee at coffeems@state.gov.

Time and Place: The meeting will take place from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. EST in Room 240, South Building, State Department Annex 4, Washington, DC 20037. Participants should plan to arrive at the Navy Hill gate on the west side of 23rd Street NW., at the intersection of 23rd Street NW. and D Street NW. by 12:30 p.m. for visitor screening. If you are unable to attend the public meeting and would like to participate from a remote location, teleconferencing will be available.

Public Participation: This meeting is open to the public, subject to the capacity of the meeting room. Access to the building is strictly controlled. For pre-clearance purposes, those planning

to attend should email pil@state.gov providing full name, address, and email address. This information will greatly facilitate entry into the building. A member of the public needing reasonable accommodation should email pil@state.gov not later than November 25, 2013. Requests made after that date will be considered, but might not be able to be fulfilled. If you would like to participate by telephone, please email pil@state.gov to obtain the call-in number and other information.

Data from the public is requested pursuant to Public Law 99-399 (Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1986), as amended; Public Law 107-56 (USA PATRIOT Act); and Executive Order 13356. The purpose of the collection is to validate the identity of individuals who enter Department facilities. The data will be entered into the Visitor Access Control System (VACS-D) database. Please see the Security Records System of Records Notice (State-36) at <http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/103419.pdf> for additional information.

Dated: November 12, 2013.

Michael S. Coffee,

Attorney-Adviser, Office of Private International Law, Office of Legal Adviser, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2013 0125]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel PURSE PRINCESS; 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 December 18, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2013-0125. 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:

Linda Williams, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Room W23-453, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-0903, Email Linda.Williams@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel PURSE PRINCESS is: *Intended Commercial Use of Vessel*: "2-3 hour day sails in NY Harbor, Sightseeing."

Geographic Region: "New York harbor, New Jersey coastal waters" The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD-2013-0125 at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388.

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).

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Dated: November 12, 2013.

Julie P. Agarwal,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. DOT-MARAD-2013-0131]

Request for Comments of a Previously Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. A **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection was published on Tuesday, August 6, 2013 (FR 47826, Vol. 78, No. 151). No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before December 18, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rodney McFadden, Office of Workforce Development, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., W23-457, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-2647; or EMAIL: Rodney.McFadden@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Information to Determine Seamen's Reemployment Rights—National Emergency.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0526.

Type of Request: Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection.

Abstract: This collection is needed in order to implement provisions of the Maritime Security Act of 1996. These provisions grant re-employment rights and other benefits to certain merchant seamen serving aboard vessels used by the United States during times of national emergencies. The Maritime Security Act of 1996 establishes the procedures for obtaining the necessary Maritime Administration certification for re-employment rights and other benefits.

Affected Public: U.S. merchant seamen who have completed designated national service during a time of maritime mobilization need and are

seeking re-employment with a prior employer.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10.

Estimated Number of Responses: 10.

Annual Estimated Total Annual

Burden Hours: 10.

Frequency of Collection: Annually.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.93.

Dated: November 12, 2013.

Julie P. Agarwal,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research and Innovative Technology Administration

University Transportation Centers Program

AGENCY: Research and Innovative Technology Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Funding Availability.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Transportation is publishing this notice to give eligible nonprofit institutions of higher education located in Federal Regions 3 and 10 advance notice that they will have an opportunity to submit applications for a grant as a Regional Center in the University Transportation Centers (UTCs) program. Funds for this grant program are authorized beginning on October 1, 2012. In the near future, the Department, via the Research and Innovative Technology Administration (RITA), will release a grant solicitation through *Grants.gov* and on the UTC Program's Web site, <http://utc.dot.gov>,