

Place: The Fairmont Washington, DC, 2401 M Street NW., Washington, DC 20037.

Contact Person: Weijia Ni, Ph.D., Chief/Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3100, MSC 7808, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594-3292, niw@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Infection, Complement Activation and Inflammatory Immune Tolerance.

Date: October 30, 2015.

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Virtual Meeting).

Contact Person: Bahiru Gametchu, DVM, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4204, MSC 7812, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1225, gametchb@csr.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, Comparative Medicine; 93.333, Clinical Research, 93.306, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393-93.396, 93.837-93.844, 93.846-93.878, 93.892, 93.893, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: September 21, 2015.

Melanie J. Gray,

Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Cancer Institute; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; Processes in Cancer Control.

Date: October 14, 2015.

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Cancer Institute Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room

2E904, Rockville, MD 20850, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Gerald G. Lovinger, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Research Technology and Contract Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W266, Bethesda, MD 20892, 240-276-6385, lovingeg@mail.nih.gov.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

Name of Committee: National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel; Omnibus R03 & R21/SEP-5.

Date: November 19-20, 2015.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Gaithersburg Marriott Washingtonian Center, 9751 Washingtonian Boulevard, Salon G, Gaithersburg, MD 20878.

Contact Person: Thomas A. Winters, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Special Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W412, Bethesda, MD 20892-9750, 240-276-6386, twinters@mail.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.392, Cancer Construction; 93.393, Cancer Cause and Prevention Research; 93.394, Cancer Detection and Diagnosis Research; 93.395, Cancer Treatment Research; 93.396, Cancer Biology Research; 93.397, Cancer Centers Support; 93.398, Cancer Research Manpower; 93.399, Cancer Control, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2015-0751]

Cook Inlet Regional Citizen's Advisory Council (CIRCAC) Charter Renewal

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of recertification.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that the Coast Guard has recertified the Cook Inlet Regional Citizen's Advisory Council (CIRCAC) as an alternative voluntary advisory group for Cook Inlet, Alaska. This certification allows the CIRCAC to monitor the activities of terminal facilities and crude oil tankers under the Cook Inlet Program established by statute.

DATES: This recertification is effective for the period from September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

LTJG Katharine Martorelli, Seventeenth Coast Guard District (dpi), by phone at (907) 463-2809, email Katharine.E.Martorelli@uscg.mil or by mail at P.O. Box 25517, Juneau, Alaska 99802.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background and Purpose

As part of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, Congress passed the Oil Terminal and Oil Tanker Environmental Oversight and Monitoring Act of 1990 (the Act), 33 U.S.C. 2732, to foster a long-term partnership among industry, government, and local communities in overseeing compliance with environmental concerns in the operation of crude oil terminals and oil tankers.

On October 18, 1991, the President delegated his authority under 33 U.S.C. 2732 (o) to the Secretary of Transportation in Executive Order 12777, section 8(g) (see 56 FR 54757; October 22, 1991) for purposes of certifying advisory councils, or groups, subject to the Act. On March 3, 1992, the Secretary re-delegated that authority to the Commandant of the USCG (see 57 FR 8582; March 11, 1992). The Commandant re-delegated that authority to the Chief, Office of Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection (G-M) on March 19, 1992 (letter #5402).

On July 7, 1993, the USCG published a policy statement, 58 FR 36504, to clarify the factors that shall be considered in making the determination as to whether advisory councils, or groups, should be certified in accordance with the Act.

The Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety and Environmental Protection (G-M), re-delegated recertification authority for advisory councils, or groups, to the Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District on February 26, 1999 (letter #16450).

On September 16, 2002, the USCG published a policy statement, 67 FR 58440, that changed the recertification procedures such that applicants are required to provide the USCG with comprehensive information every three years (triennially). For each of the two years between the triennial application procedures, applicants submit a letter requesting recertification that includes a description of any substantive changes to the information provided at the previous triennial recertification. Further, public comment is not solicited prior to recertification during

streamlined years, only during the triennial comprehensive review.

On September 1, 2014, the Coast Guard recertified the Cook Inlet Regional Citizen's Advisory Council through August 31, 2015. Under the Oil Terminal and Oil Tanker Environmental Oversight Act of 1990 (33 U.S.C. 2732), the Coast Guard may certify, on an annual basis, an alternative voluntary advisory group for Cook Inlet, Alaska. This advisory group monitors the activities of terminal facilities and crude oil tankers under the Cook Inlet Program established by Congress, 33 U.S.C. 2732 (b).

Recertification

By letter dated August 20, 2015, the Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard certified that the CIRCAC qualifies as an alternative voluntary advisory group under 33 U.S.C. 2732(o). This recertification terminates on August 31, 2016.

Dated: August 20, 2015.

D. B. Abel,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2014-0935]

Letter of Recommendation for Washington State Ferries Liquefied Natural Gas Conversion; Seattle, WA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice and response to comments

SUMMARY: On June 27, 2014, Coast Guard Sector Puget Sound received a Letter of Intent (LOI) and Waterway Suitability Assessment (WSA) from Washington State Ferries (WSF) for a proposal to modify existing Washington State Ferry marine terminal operations to include the handling of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG). The LNG would be transferred to and used as a marine fuel by six Issaquah Class Ferries converted to use LNG propulsion systems. In accordance with regulation and policy guidance, the Captain of the Port (COTP), Coast Guard Sector Puget Sound, in cooperation with key port stakeholders, will review and validate the information in the WSA. The COTP will then issue a Letter of Recommendation (LOR) to the State of Washington Department of Transportation that conveys the Coast

Guard's recommendation on the suitability of the following waterways for LNG marine traffic as it relates to safety and security: Guemes Channel, Rosario Strait, Thatcher Pass, Harney Channel, Upright Channel, Wasp Channel, San Juan Channel, Spieden Channel, Haro Strait, Sidney Channel, Possession Sound, Admiralty Inlet, Puget Sound, Sinclair Inlet, Rich Passage, Elliot Bay, Admiralty Passage, North East Passage, and Colvos Passage.

As part of this validation process, the Coast Guard, on November 12, 2014, published a "Notice and Request for Comments" in the **Federal Register** which solicited public comments to inform the COTP's recommendation. A number of comments were received, including two outside the comment period. This document summarizes those comments, explains whether or not they are appropriate for consideration under regulation, and provides additional information to help inform the public about the various issues raised in them.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information about this document call or email LT Sarah Rodiño, Coast Guard Sector Puget Sound; telephone 206-217-6623, email sarah.e.rodino@uscg.mil.

Background

In accordance with 33 CFR 127.007, the COTP, Coast Guard Sector Puget Sound, received an LOI and WSA from WSF on June 27, 2014 regarding WSF's proposal to modify existing Washington State Ferry marine terminal operations and add the handling of LNG. The LNG would be transferred to and used as a marine fuel by six Issaquah Class Ferries converted to use LNG propulsion systems. The LOI notes that if the conversion is completed, each vessel would require fueling by truck once every 7 to 10 days.

Pursuant to 33 CFR 127.009, and using the guidance set forth in reference to the Coast Guard's Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC) 01-2011, "Guidance Related to Waterfront Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Facilities," the COTP is reviewing and validating WSF's WSA in cooperation with key port stakeholders. To assist the COTP, the Coast Guard on November 12, 2014 published a "Notice and Request for Comments" in the **Federal Register** (79 FR 67179) seeking public comments on WSF's proposal. Once the COTP finishes the review and validation of WSF's WSA, he will develop the LOR with accompanying analysis and provide it to the State of Washington Department of Transportation as the

agency with jurisdiction over WSF's proposed activity.

Thirteen comments were received, including two outside the comment period. This document summarizes those comments, explains whether or not they are appropriate for consideration under 33 CFR 127.009, and provides additional information to help inform the public about the various issues raised in them. Comments that fell outside the scope of the WSA but are relevant to the vessel design modifications will be forwarded on to the Coast Guard Marine Safety Center (MSC) to be considered during the design review and approval process in accordance with 46 CFR 71.65-10.

WSF's LOI, WSA, and other supporting documentation can be viewed at: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Ferries/Environment/LNG.htm>. The public comments received by the Coast Guard can be viewed at: <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketBrowser;rpp=100;so=DESC;sb=docId;po=0;dct=PS;D=USCG-2014-0935>. A copy of NVIC 01-2011 is available for viewing on the Coast Guard's Web site at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg5/nvic/2010s.asp>.

The Coast Guard sincerely appreciates the comments received.

Summary and Discussion of Comments Received

Cost and Funding of Conversion

Multiple comments expressed concern that the proposed conversion is too expensive and that the funding that would pay for the conversion should be spent in a different manner. The COTP's role with regard to WSF's proposal is limited to issuing an LOR to the Washington State Department of Transportation regarding the suitability of the waterway for LNG marine traffic based on the criteria listed in 33 CFR 127.009. Cost of vessel conversion issues fall outside the scope of the LOR. As such, these comments will not be considered by the COTP in issuing the LOR.

Pollution

Two comments expressed concern that LNG poses a pollution threat to the environment. As an issue relevant under 33 CFR 127.009, the COTP will consider those comments in issuing the LOR. For the public's awareness, the Coast Guard will examine WSF's Emergency and Operations Manuals as required by 33 CFR 127.019 covering the transfer system and transfer procedures. These manuals include but are not limited to LNG release response procedures, local response organizations contact