Environmental Impact Statement, dated November 18, 2016.

#### Lucy Garliauskas,

Associate Administrator Planning and Environment.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Maritime Administration**

[Docket No. MARAD-2017-0046]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel LAU LEA; Invitation for Public Comments

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: 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 21, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2017-0046. 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, DČ 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 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available at http://www.regulations.gov.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bianca Carr, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W23–453, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202– 366–9309, Email *Bianca.carr@dot.gov.* 

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel LAU LEA is:

—INTENDED COMMERCIAL USE OF VESSEL: "Coastwise passenger for hire charter intended for transportation, sightseeing, and whale watching."

-GEOGRAPHIC REGION: "California" The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD-2017-0046 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 section 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part

### **Privacy Act**

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT/MARAD solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT/MARAD posts these comments, without edit, to accessible through www.dot.gov/ privacy. In order to facilitate comment tracking and response, we encourage commenters to provide their name, or the name of their organization; however, submission of names is completely optional. Whether or not commenters identify themselves, all timely comments will be fully considered. If you wish to provide comments containing proprietary or confidential information, please contact the agency for alternate submission instructions.

**Authority:** 49 CFR 1.93(a), 46 U.S.C. 55103, 46 U.S.C. 12121.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator. Dated: March 17, 2017.

#### T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. 2017–05659 Filed 3–21–17; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–81–P

# **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Maritime Administration**

[Docket No. MARAD-2017-0049]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel CLOSE E NUFF; Invitation for Public Comments

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: 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 21, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2017-0049. 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 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available at http://www.regulations.gov.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel CLOSE E NUFF is:

- —INTENDED COMMERCIAL USE OF VESSEL: "Six pack charters"
- —GEOGRAPHIC REGION: "Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina"

The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD-2017-0049 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