

designation codes is one for preferred routes, which apply to the transportation of a highway route controlled quantity of Class 7 (radioactive) material. Restriction codes identify the routes along which a driver may not transport specified HM shipments. Table 1 presents information on each restriction and designation code. Table 2 presents information on the revisions to the route registry.

TABLE 1—RESTRICTION/DESIGNATION KEY

Restrictions	Designations
0—ALL Hazardous Materials.	A—ALL NRHM Hazardous Materials.
1—Class 1—Explosives	B—Class 1—Explosives.
2—Class 2—Gas	I—Poisonous Inhalation Hazard (PIH).
3—Class 3—Flammable	P—*Preferred Route*
4—Class 4—Flammable Solid/Combustible.	Class 7—Radioactive.
5—Class 5—Organic.	
6—Class 6—Poison.	

TABLE 1—RESTRICTION/DESIGNATION KEY—Continued

Restrictions	Designations
7—Class 7—Radioactive.	
8—Class 8—Corrosives.	
9—Class 9—Dangerous (Other).	
i—Poisonous Inhalation Hazard (PIH).	

**Revisions to the National Hazardous Materials Route Registry (March 31, 2023)**

TABLE 2—WASHINGTON—RESTRICTED NRHM ROUTES

Designation date	Route order route description	City	County	Restriction FMCSA (0–9 and i) QA comment
9/21/2023	Add South 188th St. between 28th Ave. S and 16th Ave. S	Seattle	King	0

*End of Revisions to the National Hazardous Materials Route Registry*

Sue Lawless,

Acting Deputy Administrator.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Railroad Administration**

[Docket Number FRA–2019–0064]

**Petition for Amendment of Waiver of Compliance**

Under part 211 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that by letters dated February 28, 2024, and May 13, 2024, BNSF Railway (BNSF) petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for an amendment of a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 232 (Brake System Safety Standards for Freight and Other Non-Passenger Trains and Equipment; End-of-Train Devices). The relevant Docket Number is FRA–2019–0064.

Specifically, BNSF requests to add a location to its existing waiver from § 232.205(b)(2), *Single car air brake tests*, which permits BNSF to change the repair track designation (per § 232.303, *General requirements*) so that the track on which in-train wheel replacements are performed is not designated a shop or repair track. Accordingly, a single car air brake test (SCABT) is not required on each car undergoing an in-train wheelset replacement, but BNSF proposes to perform a SCABT on any

car with an FRA-condemnable wheel defect as defined in § 232.303(b)(5). The relief currently applies to specific yard tracks for wheelset replacement at several BNSF facilities, and with this request, BNSF seeks to add the Missoula, Montana, location to the program.

In support of its request, BNSF states that this program “reduces the number of wheels in revenue service with elevated KIP impact readings contributing to the safety and longevity of [the] rail infrastructure.” Further, BNSF states that the program “enhances safety by improving the reliability of the rolling stock and simultaneously reducing potential causes of surface rail defects that can elevate the risks of derailments” from higher KIP wheels.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Communications received by September 16, 2024 will be considered

by FRA before final action is taken.

Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of the Department of Transportation’s (DOT) dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at <https://www.transportation.gov/privacy>. See also <https://www.regulations.gov/privacy-notice> for the privacy notice of [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

Issued in Washington, DC.

John Karl Alexy,

Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety, Chief Safety Officer.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Maritime Administration**

**U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Board of Visitors; Public Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration announces a meeting of

the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA) Board of Visitors (Board). During the meeting, the USMMA leadership will provide an update on programs and priorities, including governance, sexual assault and sexual harassment, academics, admissions, culture, and facilities and infrastructure.

**DATES:** The USMMA BOV meeting will take place on July 26, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. EST. Request to attend the meeting must be received by July 19, 2024, and permission will be based on space available. Requests will be taken as they are received until available spaces are full. Written statements to be considered during the meeting must be received via email to [ExternalAffairs@usmma.edu](mailto:ExternalAffairs@usmma.edu) no later than July 23, 2024. Requests for accommodations for a disability must be received via email to [ExternalAffairs@usmma.edu](mailto:ExternalAffairs@usmma.edu) no later than July 23, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in person at the United States Merchant Marine Academy located at 300 Steamboat Road, Kings Point, NY 11024, in the Crabtree Room of the Schuyler Otis Bland Memorial Library.

The USMMA Board of Visitors' web page can be found at <https://www.usmma.edu/about/leadership/board-visitors>. General information about the Board is available at <https://www.usmma.edu/about/leadership/board-visitors>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The Board's Designated Federal Officer and Point of Contact, Michael O'Hagan, 516-726-6048 or [ExternalAffairs@usmma.edu](mailto:ExternalAffairs@usmma.edu).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

The Board is a Federal Advisory Committee originally established as a Congressional Board by section 51312 of title 46, United States Code "to provide independent advice and recommendations on matters relating to the United States Merchant Marine Academy." The Board was originally chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) on October 24, 2017.

#### Agenda

The meeting agenda for the July meeting is as follows:

1. Welcome remarks and Board maintenance items.
2. Update on the USMMA priority programs and initiatives (including educational programs, athletic programs, institutional culture, sexual assault and sexual harassment prevention and response, program status, admissions trends, Academy

facilities and infrastructure progress, internal processes and governance status, state of the regiment of midshipmen and campus culture)

3. Update on the state of the Regiment of Midshipmen and Campus Culture; and

4. Public comment period (not to exceed 10 minutes).

#### Public Participation

This meeting is open to the public and will be held at the Academy. The U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to providing equal access to this meeting for all participants. If you need alternative formats or services because of a disability, such as sign language, interpretation, or other ancillary aids, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Any member of the public is permitted to file a written statement with the Board. Written statements should be sent to the Designated Federal Officer listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section no later than July 19, 2024.

Only written statements will be considered by the Board; no member of the public will be allowed to present questions or speak during the meeting unless requested to do so by a member of the Board.

(Authority: 46 U.S.C. 51312; 5 U.S.C. 552b; 5 U.S.C. Ch.10; 41 CFR parts 102-3.140 through 102-3.165)

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

**T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,**

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2024-0081]

#### Coastwise Endorsement Eligibility Determination for a Foreign-Built Vessel: HIBIKI (Motor); 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 issue coastwise endorsement eligibility determinations for foreign-built vessels which will carry no more than twelve passengers for hire. A request for such a determination has been received by MARAD. By this notice, MARAD seeks comments from

interested parties as to any effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. Information about the requestor's vessel, including a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before August 15, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket Number MARAD-2024-0081 by any one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov>. Search MARAD-2024-0081 and follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail or Hand Delivery:* Docket Management Facility is in the West Building, Ground Floor of the U.S. Department of Transportation. The Docket Management Facility location address is U.S. Department of Transportation, MARAD-2024-0081, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

**Note:** If you mail or hand-deliver your comments, we recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a telephone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the agency name and specific docket number. All comments received will be posted without change to the docket at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments, or to submit comments that are confidential in nature, see the section entitled Public Participation.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patricia Hagerty, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room W23-461, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: (202) 366-0903. Email: [patricia.hagerty@dot.gov](mailto:patricia.hagerty@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described in the application, the intended service of the vessel HIBIKI is:

*Intended Commercial Use of Vessel:* Requester intends to offer passenger cruises.

*Geographic Region Including Base of Operations:* Puerto Rico. Base of Operations: Fajardo, Puerto Rico.

*Vessel Length and Type:* 53' Motor.