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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical questions, contact Joseph A. Cristofaro, Director, Sensors, Aerospace and Marine Division, Office of National Security Controls, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce, at 202-482-2440 or by email: Joseph.Cristofaro@bis.doc.gov. For general questions, contact Regulatory Policy Division, Office of Exporter Services, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce at 202-482-2440 or by email: RPD2@bis.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 23, 2024, BIS published in the **Federal Register** the proposed rule, "Export Administration Regulations: Revisions to Space-Related Export Controls, Including Addition of License Exception Commercial Space Activities (CSA)" (RIN 0694-AH66) (89 FR 84784), which proposes changes to controls for spacecraft and related items under the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) that would conform to proposed changes to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) related to U.S. Munitions List (USML)

Categories IV and XV. This rule also proposes the addition of a new license exception for certain Commercial Space Activities (CSA). This proposed rule is published alongside the Department of State proposed rule, "International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR): U.S. Munitions List Categories IV and XV" (1400-AE73), which includes proposed changes for certain space-related defense articles and related controls. These proposed rules are intended to better enable a globally competitive U.S. space industrial base while continuing to protect U.S. national security and foreign policy interests. In response to requests from the regulated community, the Department of Commerce is extending the comment period for this rule (RIN 0694-AH66) by 30 days.

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Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Strategic Trade and Technology Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

22 CFR Parts 120, 121, and 126

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RIN 1400-AE73

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories IV and XV; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is extending the comment period for a proposed rule published on October 23, 2024. The original comment period required submission of comments on or before November 22, 2024. In response to requests from the public, the Department extends the comment period through December 23, 2024.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published October 23, 2024, at 89 FR 84482, is extended. Comments should be received on or before December 23, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties may submit comments by one of the following methods:

- *Email:* DDTCTPublicComments@state.gov with the subject line: "Regulatory Change: Categories IV and XV RIN 1400-AE73".
- *Internet:* At www.regulations.gov, search for this notice, by docket number DOS-2024-0035. Additional instructions regarding submission of

comments can be found in the document published at 89 FR 84482, October 23, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Rasmussen, Office of Defense Trade Controls Policy, Department of State, telephone (202) 663-2217; email DDTCCustomerService@state.gov; SUBJECT: International Traffic in Arms Regulations: USML Categories IV and XV (RIN 1400-AE73).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 23, 2024, the Department of State published a proposed rule (89 FR 60980) proposing revisions to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR, 22 CFR parts 120 through 130). Specifically, the publication proposed to amend the ITAR to revise U.S. Munitions List (USML) Categories IV and XV and related sections of the ITAR to clarify and standardize the regulatory text, add items that warrant designation on the USML, and remove those items that no longer warrant designation on the USML. The publication further proposed to add three new license exemptions to the ITAR and requested public comment by November 22, 2024. In response to requests received from the public to extend the comment period, the Department of State is extending the comment period for the proposed rule for an additional 30 days, through December 23, 2024.

Stanley L. Brown,

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 166

[Docket No. USCG-2024-0248]

RIN 1625-AC97

Shipping Safety Fairways in the Gulf of Maine

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Advance notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard seeks comments regarding the possible establishment of shipping safety fairways ("fairways") in the Gulf of Maine identified in the Approaches to Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts Port Access Route Study.