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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2008-0244]

Collection of Information Under Review by Office of Management and Budget: OMB Control Numbers: 1625-0081 and 1625-0083

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Thirty-day notice requesting comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this request for comments announces that the U.S. Coast Guard is forwarding two Information Collection Requests (ICRs), abstracted below, to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget (OMB) requesting an extension of their approval for the following collections of information: (1) 1625-0081, Alternate Compliance Program, and (2) 1625-0083, Operational Measures for Existing Tank Vessels Without Double Hulls. Our ICRs describe the information we seek to collect from the public. Review and comments by OIRA ensure we only impose paperwork burdens commensurate with our performance of duties.

DATES: Please submit comments on or before September 8, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Coast Guard docket number [USCG-2008-0244] to the Docket Management Facility (DMF) at the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) or to OIRA. To avoid duplication, please submit your comments by only one of the following means:

(1) Electronic submission. (a) To Coast Guard docket at <u>http://</u> <u>www.regulations.gov</u>. (b) To OIRA by e-mail via: <u>oira</u> <u>submission@omb.eop.gov</u>.

(2) Mail or Hand delivery. (a) DMF (M-30), DOT, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001. Hand deliver between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202-366-9329. (b) To OIRA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, to the attention of the Desk Officer for the Coast Guard.

(3) Fax. (a) To DMF, 202-493-2251. (b) To OIRA at 202-395-6566. To ensure your comments are received in time, mark the fax to the attention of the Desk Officer for the Coast Guard.

The DMF maintains the public docket for this Notice. Comments and

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received from the public, as well as documents mentioned in this Notice as being available in the docket, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at room W12-140 on the West Building Ground Floor, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. You may also find this docket on the Internet at <u>http://</u> www.regulations.gov.

Copies of the complete ICRs are available through this docket on the Internet at <u>http://www.regulations.gov</u>. Additionally, copies are available from Commandant (CG-611), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters (Attn: Mr. Arthur Requina), 2100 2nd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The telephone number is 202-475-3523.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Arthur Requina, Office of Information Management, telephone 202-475-3523 or fax 202-475-3929, for questions on these documents. Contact Ms. Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, 202-366-9826, for questions on the docket.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard invites comments on whether this information collection request should be granted based on it being necessary for the proper performance of Departmental functions. In particular, the Coast Guard would appreciate comments addressing: (1) The practical utility of the collections; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden of the collections; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of information subject to the collections; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of collections on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments to Coast Guard or OIRA must contain the OMB Control Number of the ICR. Comments to Coast Guard must contain the docket number of this request, [USCG 2008-0244]. For your comments to OIRA to be considered, it is best if they are received on or before September 8, 2008.

Public participation and request for comments: We encourage you to respond to this request by submitting comments and related materials. We will post all comments received, without change, to <u>http://</u> <u>www.regulations.gov</u>. They will include any personal information you provide. We have an agreement with DOT to use their DMF. Please see the paragraph on DOT's ``Privacy Act Policy'' below.

Submitting comments: If you submit a comment, please include the docket number [USCG-2008-0244], indicate the specific section of the document to which each comment applies, providing a reason for each comment. We recommend you include your name, mailing address, an e-mail address, or other contact information in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission. You may submit comments and material by electronic means, mail, fax, or delivery to the DMF at the address under ADDRESSES; but please submit them by only one means. If you submit them by mail or delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than $8 \cdot 1/2 \cdot 11$ inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit them by mail and would like to know that they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period. We may change the

documents supporting this collection of information or even the underlying requirements in view of them. The Coast Guard and OIRA will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

Viewing comments and documents: Go to http://www.regulations.gov to view documents mentioned in this Notice as being available in the docket. Enter the docket number [USCG-2008-0244] in the Search box, and click, ``Go>>.'' You may also visit the DMF in room W12-140 on the West Building Ground Floor, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Privacy Act: Anyone can search the electronic form of all comments received in 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 the Privacy Act Statement of DOT in the Federal Register published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477), or by visiting http://docketsInfo.dot.gov.

Previous Request for Comments

This request provides a 30-day comment period required by OIRA. The Coast Guard has published the 60-day notice (73 FR 26126, May 8, 2008) required by 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2). That notice elicited no comments.

Information Collection Request

Title: Alternate Compliance Program.
 OMB Control Number: 1625-0081.
 Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.
 Affected Public: Recognized classification societies.
 Abstract: This information is used by the Coast Guard to assess

vessels participating in the voluntary Alternate Compliance Program (ACP) before issuance of a Certificate of Inspection. Sections 3306 and 3316 of 46 U.S.C. authorize the Coast Guard to establish vessel inspection regulations and inspection alternatives. Part 8 of 46 CFR contains the Coast Guard regulations for recognizing classification societies and enrollment of U.S.-flag vessels in ACP.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden has increased from 164 hours to 212 hours per year.

2. Title: Operational Measures for Existing Tank Vessels Without Double Hulls.

OMB Control Number: 1625-0083.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection. Affected Public: Owners, operators, and masters of certain tank vessels.

Abstract: The information is needed to ensure compliance with U.S. regulations regarding operational measures for certain tank vessels while operating in the U.S. waters. Sections 3703 and 3703a of 46 U.S.C. authorize the Coast Guard to establish regulations for tank vessels to promote the safety of life for increased protection against hazards to life and property, for navigation and vessel safety, and for enhanced protection of the marine environment. Subparts G, H, and I of 33 CFR part 157 contain Coast Guard regulations regarding operational measures for certain tank vessels without double hulls.

Burden Estimate: The estimated burden has decreased from 6,807 hours to 3,474 hours per year.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C.

Chapter 35, as amended. Dated: July 29, 2008. D.T. Glenn, Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Assistant Commandant for Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Information Technology. [FR Doc. E8-18178 Filed 8-6-08; 8:45 am]

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