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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information should be directed to Tracey Denning, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Office of Regulations and Rulings, 799 9th Street, NW., 7th Floor, Washington, DC 20229–1177, at 202–325–0265.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

CBP invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3505(c)(2)). The comments should address: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimates of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology; and (e) the annual costs burden to respondents or record keepers from the collection of information (a total capital/startup costs and operations and maintenance costs). The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the CBP request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this document CBP is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection:

Title: Customs and Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C–TPAT).

OMB Number: 1651–0077.

Form Number: None.

Abstract: The Customs and Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C–TPAT) Program is designed to provide expedited processing to participants in this Program at certain, high-risk locations by prescreening participants. The C–TPAT Program applies to air, land and sea. This Program was mandated by the SAFE Port Act. This information collection is an on-line application that must be completed by companies or individuals wishing to participate in the C–TPAT program. This application can be found on <http://www.cbp.gov>.

Current Actions: This submission is being made to extend the expiration date.

Type of Review: Extension (without change).

Affected Public: Businesses and Individuals.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,500.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 5 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 32,500.

Dated: February 4, 2010.

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Agency Clearance Officer, U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Agency Information Collection Activities: Andean Trade Preferences

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: 30-day notice and request for comments; Revision of an existing information collection: 1651–0091.

SUMMARY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) of the Department of Homeland Security has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act: Andean Trade Preferences. This is a proposed extension of an information collection that was previously approved. CBP is proposing that this information collection be extended with a change to the burden hours. This document is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 65543) on December 10, 2009, allowing for a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before March 12, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the OMB Desk Officer for Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, and sent via electronic mail to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov or faxed to (202) 395–5806.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP)

encourages the general public and affected Federal agencies to submit written comments and suggestions on proposed and/or continuing information collection requests pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act (Pub. L. 104–13). Your comments should address one of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency/component, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies/components estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological techniques or other forms of information.

Title: Andean Trade Preferences.

OMB Number: 1651–0091.

Form Number: 449.

Abstract: The information collected is to be used by CBP officers to document preferential tariff treatment under the provisions of the Andean Trade Preferences Act (ATPA) and the Andean Trade Promotion and Drug Eradication Act (ATPDEA), as codified in 19 U.S.C. 3201 through 3206.

The ATPA Certificate of Origin format is found under the CBP regulations, 19 CFR part 10.201–10.207. The type of information collected includes the processing operations performed on articles, the material produced in a beneficiary country or in the U.S., and a description of those processing operations.

The ATPDEA regulations are found in 19 CFR 10.251–10.257. CBP Form 449, “Andean Trade Promotion and Drug Eradication Act (ATPDEA)” has been established to collect information under ATPDEA. CBP will use this new form to collect information pertaining to the origin of goods that are claimed for preferential duty treatment. This form can only be used when claiming ATPDEA preferential treatment on the goods listed on the back of the form.

Current Actions: This submission is being made to extend the expiration date and to revise this information collection by adding Form 449, “Andean Trade Promotion and Drug Eradication Act (ATPDEA)”. CBP is also proposing to increase the burden hours as a result of increasing the estimated time per

response for ATPA from 6 minutes to 10 minutes.

Type of Review: Extension (with change)

Affected Public: Businesses.

ATPA Certificate of Origin:

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,133.

Estimated Number of Annual

Responses per Respondent: 2.

Estimated Number of Total Annual Responses: 4,266.

Estimated Time per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 711.

ATPDEA Certificate of Origin:

Estimated Number of Respondents: 233.

Estimated Number of Annual

Responses per Respondent: 7.

Estimated Number of Total Annual Responses: 1,631.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 815.

Dated: February 4, 2010.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2010-0054]

Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee; Meetings

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee (MERPAC) will meet in Metairie, Louisiana (LA) to discuss various issues related to the training and fitness of merchant marine personnel. These meetings will be open to the public.

DATES: MERPAC will meet on Thursday, March 11, 2010, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., and Friday, March 12, 2010, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. These meetings may close early if all business is finished. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before March 1, 2010. Requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee should reach the Coast Guard on or before March 1, 2010.

ADDRESSES: The Committee will meet at the New Orleans Marriott Metairie at

Lakeway Hotel, 3838 N. Causeway Boulevard, Metairie, LA. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Mr. Mark Gould, Assistant to the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) of MERPAC, at Commandant (CG-5221), ATTN MERPAC, U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second St., SW., STOP 7126, Washington, DC 20593-7126. This notice may be viewed in our online docket, USCG-2010-0054, at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Mark Gould, Assistant to the DFO of MERPAC, telephone 202-372-1409.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92-463). MERPAC is chartered under that Act. It provides advice and makes recommendations to the Assistant Commandant for Operations on issues concerning merchant marine personnel.

Agenda of Meeting

The agenda for the March 11, 2010, Committee meeting is as follows:

(1) The full committee will meet to discuss the objectives for the meeting.

(2) Working groups addressing the following task statements may meet to deliberate—

(a) Task Statement 30, concerning Utilizing Military Sea Service for STCW Certifications;

(b) Task Statement 58, concerning Stakeholder Communications During MLD Program Restructuring and Centralization;

(c) Task Statement 64, concerning Recommendations on Areas in the STCW Convention and the STCW Code Identified for Comprehensive Review;

(d) Task Statement 71, concerning Review USCG/IMO Operational Level Examination (3rd Mate/2nd Mate and 3rd/2nd Assistant Engineer) Topics and Questions and Alignment with the STCW Code;

(e) Task Statement 73, concerning Development of Training Guidance for Engineers Serving on Near-Coastal Vessels; and

(f) Task Statement 74, concerning Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC) Components.

(3) MERPAC may form new working groups to address any new issues that arise.

(4) At the end of the day, the working groups will make a report to the full committee on what was accomplished in their meetings. No action will be taken on these reports on this date.

The agenda for the March 12, 2010, Committee meeting is as follows:

(1) Introduction;

(2) Reports from the following working groups;

(a) Task Statement 30, concerning Utilizing Military Sea Service for STCW Certification;

(b) Task Statement 58, concerning Stakeholder Communications During MLD Program Restructuring and Centralization;

(c) Addendum to Task Statement 64, concerning Recommendations on Areas in the STCW Convention and the STCW Code Identified for Comprehensive Review;

(d) Task Statement 71, concerning Review USCG/IMO Operational Level Examination (3rd Mate/2nd Mate and 3rd/2nd Assistant Engineer) Topics and Questions and Alignment with the STCW Code;

(e) Task Statement 73, concerning Development of Training Guidance for Engineers Serving on Near-Coastal Vessels;

(f) Task Statement 74, concerning Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC) Components; and

(g) Any other task statements adopted by the full committee at this meeting.

(3) Other items which may be discussed:

(a) Standing Committee—Prevention Through People.

(b) Briefings concerning on-going projects of interest to MERPAC.

(c) Other items brought up for discussion by the Committee or the public.

(4) At the end of the day, the working groups will make a report and, if applicable, recommendations for the full committee to consider for presentation to the Coast Guard. Official action on these recommendations may be taken on this date.

Procedural

These meetings will be open to the public. Please note that the meetings may close early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meetings. If you would like to make an oral presentation at a meeting, please notify the Assistant to the DFO no later than March 1, 2010. Written material for distribution at a meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than March 1, 2010. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee in advance of a meeting, please submit 25 copies to the Assistant to the DFO no later than March 1, 2010.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities