In identifying countries that deny adequate and effective protection of intellectual property rights in 2001, USTR will continue to pay special attention to other countries' efforts reduce piracy of optical media (music CDs, video CDs, CD–ROMs, and DVDs) and prevent unauthorized government use of computer software. USTR will also focus on countries' compliance with their TRIPS obligations, which came due on January 1, 2000.

Section 182 contains a special rule regarding actions of Canada affecting United States cultural industries. The USTR is obligated to identify any act, policy or practice of Canada which affects cultural industries, is adopted or expanded after December 17, 1992, and is actionable under Article 2106 of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). Any such act, policy or practice so identified shall be treated the same as an act, policy or practice which was the basis for a country's identification as a Priority Foreign Country under Section 182(a)(2) of the trade Act, unless the United States has already taken action pursuant to Article 2106 of the NAFTA.

USTR must make the abovereferenced identifications within 30 days after publication of the National Trade Estimate (NTE) report, i.e., no later that April 30, 2002.

### **Requirements for Comments**

Comments should include a description of the problems experienced and the effect of the acts, policies and practices on U.S. industry. Comments should be as detailed as possible and should provide all necessary information for assessing the effect of the acts, policies and practices. Any comments that include quantitative loss claims should be accompanied by the methodology used in calculating such estimated losses. Comments must be in english and provided in twenty copies. A submitter requesting that information contained in a comment be treated as confidential and would not customarily be released to the public by the submitter. Confidential business information must be clearly marked "business confidential" in a contrasting color ink at the top of each page of each copy. A non-confidential version of the comment must also be provided.

All comments should be sent to Brenda Webb, special Assistant to the Section 301 committee, 1724 F Street, NW., Room 1, Washington, DC 20508, and must be received no later than 12 noon on Friday, February 15, 2002.

## **Public Inspection of Submissions**

Within one business day of receipt, non-confidential submissions will be placed in a public file, open for inspection at the USTR reading room, Office of the United States Trade Representative, Annex Building, 1724 F Street, NW, room 1, Washington, DC. An appointment to review the file may be made by calling Brenda Webb, (202) 395–6186. The USTR reading room is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## Joseph Papovich,

Assistant USTR for Services, Investment and Intellectual Property.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Maritime Administration**

[Docket Number: MARAD-2001-11192]

# Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws

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

**ACTION:** Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel ADAMANT.

**SUMMARY:** As authorized by Pub. L. 105– 383, 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 description of the proposed service, is listed below. 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 that in accordance with Pub. L. 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR part 388 (65 FR 6905; February 11, 2000) 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, a waiver will not be granted.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before January 25, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD–2001–11192. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL–401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW., Washington, DC 20590–0001.

You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at http://dmses.dot.gov/submit/. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at http://dms.dot.gov.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathleen Dunn, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, MAR–832 Room 7201, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202–366–2307.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title V of Pub. L. 105-383 provides authority to the Secretary of Transportation to administratively waive the U.S.-build requirements of the Jones Act, and other statutes, for small commercial passenger vessels (no more than 12 passengers). This authority has been delegated to the Maritime Administration per 49 CFR § 1.66, Delegations to the Maritime Administrator, as amended. By this notice, MARAD is publishing information on a vessel for which a request for a U.S.-build waiver has been received, and for which MARAD requests comments from interested parties. 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 § 388.4 of MARAD'S regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

# Vessel Proposed for Waiver of the U.S.build Requirement

(1) Name of vessel and owner for which waiver is requested.

Name of vessel: ADAMANT. Owner:

Marco Basich.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. According to the applicant: "Length 32' LOA; Beam 12'; Tonnage 18 tons (net tonnage 15 tons; LBO 7.3)"

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. According to the applicant: "Vessel has been in bare-boat charter (time-share lease program) since going into the water in February, 1987. Application is for purpose of changing use to captained charter of small passenger vessel or uninspected passenger vessel." "Coastal and inland waters of Washington State \* \* \*"

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. Date of construction: 1986. Place of construction: Kaohsiung, Taiwan.

- (5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. According to the applicant: "This vessel has been continuously involved in a bare-boat charter program since 1987. My request is to simply add captaining (and potentially additional crew) for up to 12 passengers, which should provide no adverse impact on boat chartering industry. Size of vessel dictates day trips and weekly charters which will not adversely affect commuter ferry or cruise ship industries."
- (6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. According to the applicant: "This waiver should have no impact on US shipyards. Production on this vessel ceased in Taiwan an estimated ten years ago. The vessel will continue to be operated for charter in the same waters, with the addition of including the owner as a licensed captain."

Dated: December 19, 2001.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. 01–31638 Filed 12–21–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–81–P

### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Research and Special Programs Administration

Office of Hazardous Materials Safety; Notice of Applications for Modification of Exemption

**AGENCY:** Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** List of Applications for Modification of Exemptions.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the procedures governing the application for, and the processing of, exemptions from the Department of Transportation's Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR part 107, subpart B), notice is hereby given that the Office of Hazardous Materials Safety has received the applications described herein. This notice is abbreviated to expedite docketing and public notice. Because the sections affected, modes of transportation, and the nature of application have been shown in earlier **Federal Register** publications, they are not repeated here. Requests for modifications of exemptions (e.g. to provide for additional hazardous materials, packaging design changes, additional mode of transportation, etc.) are described in footnotes to the

application number. Applications have been separated from the new applications for exemptions to facilitate processing.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before January 10, 2002.

ADDRESS COMMENT TO: Records Center, Research and Special Programs, Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590.

Comments should refer to the application number and be submitted in triplicate. If confirmation of receipt of comments is desired, include a self-addressed stamped postcard showing the exemption number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the applications are available for inspection in the Records Center, Nassif Building, 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC or at http://dms.dot.gov.

This notice of receipt of applications for modification of exemptions is published in accordance with Part 107 of the Federal hazardous materials transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5117(b); 49 CFR 1.53(b)).

Issued in Washington, DC, on December 17, 2001.

### J. Suzanne Hedgepeth,

Director, Office of Hazardous Materials, Exemptions and Approvals.

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Modification of exemption
3216–M.			
	Solvay Fluorides St. Louis, MO (See Footnote 1).	3216.	
8215-M.	,		
	Olin Corp., Brass & Winchester, Inc. East Alton, IL (See Footnote 2).	8215.	
10442-M	Kennedy Space Center Kennedy Space Center, FL (See	10442.	
10798-M.	Footnote 3).		
TO/30 IVI.	Chemetall Foote Corporation Kings Mountain, NC (See Footnote 4).	10798.	
10929-M.	,		
	Bulkmatic Transport Company Jersey City, NJ (See Footnote 5).	10929.	
11185–M	Medical Waste Solutions, Inc. Gary, IN (See Footnote 6).	11185.	
11770–M.			
	Gas Cylinder Technologies, Inc. Tecumseh, Ontario N8N 2M4 Canada (See Footnote 7).	11770.	
11911–M	RSPA-97-2735	Transfer Flow, Inc. Chico, CA (See Footnote 8)	11911
11924–M	RSPA-97-2744	Wrangler Corp., A Division of Lapoint Industries Auburn, ME (See Footnote 9).	11924
12817-M	RSPA-01-10513	Phibro-Tech, Inc. Fort Lee, NJ (See Footnote 10)	12817