

the **Federal Register** (76 FR 18132) on April 1, 2011 without change.

### The Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866

Because these amendments merely reflect the agency's revenue collection functions and rights, and impose no additional regulatory burden on the importing public, pursuant to the provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, it is certified that the amendments will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. Further, these amendments do not meet the criteria for a "significant regulatory action" as specified in Executive Order 12866.

### Paperwork Reduction Act

As there are no new collections of information in this document, the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507) are inapplicable.

### Signing Authority

This rulemaking is being issued in accordance with 19 CFR 0.1(a)(1), pertaining to the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury (or his/her delegate) to approve regulations related to certain CBP revenue functions.

### List of Subjects

#### 19 CFR Part 4

Administrative practice and procedure, Cargo vessels, Customs duties and inspection, Entry, Passenger vessels, Penalties, Repairs, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Shipping, Vessels.

#### 19 CFR Part 24

Accounting, Claims, Customs duties and inspection, Exports, Imports, Interest, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Taxes, User fees, Wages.

### Amendments to the Regulations

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, parts 4 and 24 of title 19 of the CFR (19 CFR Parts 4 and 24) are amended as set forth below.

### PART 4—VESSELS IN FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC TRADE

- 1. The general authority citation for part 4 continues, and the specific authority citation for § 4.14 is revised, to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 301; 19 U.S.C. 66, 1431, 1433, 1434, 1624, 2071 note; 46 U.S.C. 501, 60105.

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Section 4.14 also issued under 19 U.S.C. 1466, 1498; 31 U.S.C. 9701.

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- 2. In § 4.14:

- a. The section heading is revised;
- b. Paragraph (i)(3) is redesignated as paragraph (i)(4) and a new paragraph (i)(3) is added; and
- c. Paragraph (j)(1) is amended by adding a new third sentence.

The revisions and additions read as follows:

#### § 4.14 Equipment purchases for, and repairs to, American vessels.

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(i) \* \* \*

(3) *Application for Relief; failure to file or denial in whole or in part.* If no Application for Relief is filed, or if a timely filed Application for Relief is denied in whole or in part, the VRU will determine the amount of duty due and issue a bill to the party who filed the vessel repair entry. If the bill is not timely paid, interest will accrue as provided in § 24.3a(b)(1) of this chapter.

(j) \* \* \*

(1) \* \* \* The owner or master of the vessel who fails to timely pay the duty determined to be due is liable for interest as provided in § 24.3a(b)(1) of this chapter.

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### PART 24—CUSTOMS FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING PROCEDURE

- 3. The general authority citation for part 24 is revised to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 301; 19 U.S.C. 58a–58c, 66, 1202 (General Note 3(i), Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, 1505, 1520, 1624; 26 U.S.C. 4461, 4462; 31 U.S.C. 3717, 9701; Pub. L. 107–296, 116 Stat. 2135 (6 U.S.C. 1 *et seq.*).

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- 4. Section 24.3a is amended:

- a. By revising the section heading;
- b. In paragraph (a): by adding, after the parenthetical phrase that ends with the word “reliquidation”, the language “, or vessel repair duties,”; and by removing the words “shall be” and adding in their place the word “are”;
- c. In the heading text to paragraph (b)(1), by adding after the word “for” the words “vessel repair duties,”;
- d. In paragraph (b)(2)(i) introductory text, by removing the word “shall” and adding in its place the word “will”;
- e. In paragraph (b)(2)(i)(A), by removing the word “shall” and adding in its place the word “will”;
- f. In paragraph (b)(2)(i)(B) introductory text, by removing the word “shall” and adding in its place the word “will”;

- g. In paragraph (b)(2)(i)(B)(1), by removing the word “shall” and adding in its place the word “will”;
- h. In paragraph (b)(2)(i)(B)(2), by removing the word “shall” and adding in its place the word “will”;
- i. In paragraph (b)(2)(i)(B)(3), by removing the word “shall” wherever it appears and adding in each place the word “will”;
- j. In paragraph (b)(2)(i)(B)(4), by removing the word “shall” and adding in its place the word “will”;
- k. In paragraph (b)(2)(i)(C), by removing the word “shall” and adding in its place the word “will”;
- l. In paragraph (b)(2)(ii), by removing the word “shall” wherever it appears and adding in each place the word “will”; and
- m. In paragraph (c)(1), by removing the words “CBP Office of Finance, Indianapolis, Indiana” and adding in their place the language “CBP’s Revenue Division, Office of Administration”.

The revision reads as follows:

#### § 24.3a CBP bills; interest assessment on bills; delinquency; notice to principal and surety.

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*Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection.*

Approved: March 21, 2012.

Timothy E. Skud,

*Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.*

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### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

#### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG–2012–0153]

#### Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Pequonnock River, Bridgeport, CT, Maintenance

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

**SUMMARY:** The Commander, First Coast Guard District, has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation governing the operation of the Metro North (Peck) Bridge across the Pequonnock River, mile 0.3, at Bridgeport, Connecticut. The deviation allows the bridge to remain in the closed position to facilitate miter rail repair.

**DATES:** This deviation is effective from April 15, 2012 through June 30, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket are part of docket USCG–2012–0153 and are available online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), inserting USCG–2012–0153 in the “Keyword” and then clicking “Search”. They are also available for inspection or copying at the Docket Management Facility (M–30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this rule, call or email Ms. Judy Leung-Yee, Project Officer, First Coast Guard District, telephone (212) 668–7165, email [judy.k.leung-ye@uscg.mil](mailto:judy.k.leung-ye@uscg.mil). If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Metro North (Peck) Bridge, across the Pequonnock River, mile 0.3, at Bridgeport, Connecticut, has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 26 feet at mean high water and 32 feet at mean low water. The drawbridge operation regulations are listed at 33 CFR 117.219(b).

The operator of the bridge, Metro North Railroad, requested a temporary deviation from the regulations to facilitate scheduled bridge maintenance, miter rail repair, at the bridge.

The waterway users are recreational vessels and commercial lobster boats. The Metro North (Peck) Bridge rarely opens for vessel traffic. The bridge has received no requests to open during the past three years except for bridge testing and repairs.

Under this temporary deviation the Metro North (Peck) Bridge may remain in the closed position from April 15, 2012 through June 30, 2012. Vessels that can pass under the bridge in the closed position may do so at all times.

The waterway users were advised of the requested bridge closure and offered no objection.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the bridge must return to its regular operating schedule immediately at the end of the designated time period. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: March 1, 2012.

**Gary Kassof,**

*Bridge Program Manager, First Coast Guard District.*

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## POSTAL SERVICE

### 39 CFR Parts 4, 6, and 7

#### Bylaws of the Board of Governors

**AGENCY:** Postal Service.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** On March 24, 2010, the Board of Governors of the United States Postal Service adopted a number of amendments to the Board’s Bylaws. These amendments revised and clarified the provisions concerning the election and terms of office of the Board Chairman and Vice-Chairman. The amendments also formalized the process for notation voting (voting by paper ballot) on routine or administrative matters. This final rule incorporates the changes adopted by the Board.

**DATES:** These amendments to the Code of Federal Regulations are effective March 26, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julie S. Moore, Secretary of the Board, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L’Enfant Plaza SW., Washington, DC 20260–1000. Telephone: (202) 268–4800.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This document publishes amendments to 39 CFR Parts 4, 6, and 7, conforming to amendments to the Bylaws of the Board of Governors of the United States Postal Service. In part 4, the Board revised §§ 4.1 and 4.2 to establish December 1 as the regular commencement date of the terms of office of the newly-elected Board Chairman and Vice-Chairman. In part 6 (with a conforming amendment to part 7), the Board added a new § 6.7 to formalize the process for notation voting by paper ballot on routine, non-controversial, and administrative matters.

#### List of Subjects in 39 CFR Parts 4, 6, and 7

Administrative practice and procedure, Organization and functions (Government agencies), Postal Service.

Accordingly, for the reasons stated, 39 CFR Parts 4, 6, and 7 are amended as follows:

#### PART 4—OFFICIALS (ARTICLE IV)

■ 1. The authority citation for part 4 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 39 U.S.C. 202–205, 401(2), (10), 402, 1003, 3013, 3686.

■ 2. Section 4.1 is revised to read as follows:

##### § 4.1 Chairman.

(a) The Chairman of the Board of Governors is elected by the Governors

from among the members of the Board. The Chairman:

(1) Shall be elected at the Board’s regularly scheduled November meeting for a term that commences on December 1 of the calendar year in which the election occurred, or upon the death, departure or resignation of the current Chairman, whichever occurs first, and expires upon the election and installation of a successor Chairman;

(2) Shall preside at all regular and special meetings of the Board, and shall set the agenda for such meetings;

(3) Shall select and appoint the chairman, vice chairman (if any), and members of any committee properly established by the Board.

(b) If the Postmaster General is elected Chairman of the Board, the Governors shall also elect one of their number to preside during proceedings dealing with matters upon which only the Governors may vote.

(c) In the event of the Chairman’s death, departure or resignation prior to the election of a successor, the Board, as soon as practicable, shall elect a new Chairman who shall serve a term that commences immediately upon election and expires upon the election and installation of a successor Chairman.

(d)(1) Upon the election and installation of a new Chairman of the Board, the immediate past Chairman shall become Chairman Pro Tempore of the Board, to preside during the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman at any meeting of the Board during the year or years following the immediate past Chairman’s tenure as Chairman and until another Chairman has been elected.

(2) The Chairman Pro Tempore shall, at the request of the Chairman or Vice Chairman, serve as the representative of the Board of Governors at conferences, trade shows, ceremonial functions and other meetings important to Postal Service business.

■ 3. Section 4.2 is revised to read as follows:

##### § 4.2 Vice Chairman.

The Vice Chairman is elected by the Governors from among the members of the Board and shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Chairman during the Chairman’s absence or disability. The Vice Chairman is elected at the Board’s regularly scheduled November meeting for a term that commences on December 1 of the calendar year in which the election occurred or upon the death, departure or resignation of the current Vice Chairman, whichever occurs first, and expires upon the election and installation of a successor Vice