

to 4 hours a year due to a decrease in the estimated number of responses. The change in responses is due to recent District 8 & District 9 administrative changes to the reporting requirements.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: March 14, 2016.

Thomas P. Michelli,

U.S. Coast Guard, Deputy Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2010-0316]

National Boating Safety Advisory Council; Vacancies

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Request for applications.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard seeks applications for membership on the National Boating Safety Advisory Council. This Council advises the Coast Guard on recreational boating safety regulations and other major boating safety matters.

DATES: Completed applications should reach the Coast Guard on or before May 23, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Applicants should send a cover letter expressing interest in an appointment to the National Boating Safety Advisory Council and specifying which membership category the applicant is applying under, along with a resume detailing the applicant's boating experience via one of the following methods:

- *By email:* jeffrey.a.ludwig@uscg.mil (preferred).
- *By mail:* Commandant (CG-BSX-2)/NBSAC, Attn: Mr. Jeff Ludwig, U.S. Coast Guard, 2703 Martin Luther King Ave. SE., Stop 7581, Washington, DC 20593-7581.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jeff Ludwig, Alternate Designated Federal Officer of the National Boating Safety Advisory Council; telephone 202-372-1061 or email at jeffrey.a.ludwig@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Boating Safety Advisory Council is a Federal advisory committee which operates under the provisions of Federal Advisory Committee Act, (Title 5 U.S.C., Appendix). It was established under the authority of 46 United States Code 13110 and advises the Coast Guard on boating safety regulations and other

major boating safety matters. The Council usually meets at least twice each year at a location selected by the Coast Guard. It may also meet for extraordinary purposes. Subcommittees or working groups may also meet to consider specific issues.

Each member serves for a term of three years. Members may be considered to serve a maximum of two consecutive full terms. All members serve at their own expense and receive no salary, or other compensation from the Federal Government. The exception to this policy is when attending National Boating Safety Advisory Council meetings; members may be reimbursed for travel expenses and provided per diem in accordance with Federal Travel Regulations.

We will consider applications for the following seven positions that will be vacant on December 31, 2016:

- Two representatives of State officials responsible for State boating safety programs;
- Three representatives of recreational boat and associated equipment manufacturers; and
- Two representatives of national recreational boating organizations or the general public.

Applications will also be considered for one vacancy in the national recreational boating organizations or the general public membership category that was caused by the inability of a person appointed in 2016 to accept their appointment. This position will serve a term that expires on December 31, 2018.

If you are selected as a member from the general public, you will be appointed and serve as a Special Government Employee as defined in section 202(a) of Title 18, United States Code. As a candidate for appointment as a Special Government Employee, applicants are required to complete a Confidential Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 450). Coast Guard may not release the reports or the information in them to the public except under an order issued by a Federal court or as otherwise provided under the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a). Only the Designated Coast Guard Ethics Official or his or her designee may release a Confidential Financial Disclosure Report. Applicants can obtain this form by going to the Web site of the Office of Government Ethics (www.oge.gov) or by contacting the individual listed above in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Applications for a member drawn from the general public that are not accompanied by a completed OGE Form 450 will not be considered.

Applicants are considered for membership on the basis of their

particular expertise, knowledge, and experience in recreational boating safety. The vacancies announced in this notice apply to membership positions that become vacant on January 1, 2017. Individuals who have applied for National Boating Safety Advisory Council membership in any prior years are asked to re-submit a complete application if the individual wishes to apply for any of the vacancies announced in this notice.

To be eligible, applicants should have experience in one of the categories listed above.

Registered lobbyists are not eligible to serve on federal advisory committees in an individual capacity. See "Revised Guidance on Appointment of Lobbyists to Federal Advisory Committees, Boards and Commissions" (79 FR 47482, August 13, 2014). Registered lobbyists are lobbyists required to comply with provisions contained in The Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1605; Pub. L. 104-65 as amended by Title II of Pub. L. 110-81).

The Department of Homeland Security does not discriminate in selection of Council members on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, disability and genetic information, age, membership in an employee organization, or other non-merit factor. The Department of Homeland Security strives to achieve a widely diverse candidate pool for all of its recruitment actions.

If you are interested in applying to become a member of the Council, send your cover letter and resume to Mr. Jeff Ludwig, Alternate Designated Federal Officer of National Boating Safety Advisory Council via one of the transmittal methods in the **ADDRESSES** section by the deadline in the **DATES** section of this notice.

Dated: March 10, 2016.

Verne B. Gifford,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Director of Inspections and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2016-0201]

Notification of the Removal of Conditions of Entry on Vessels Arriving From the Republic of Cuba

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard announces that it is removing the conditions of entry on vessels arriving from the country of the Republic of Cuba.

DATES: The policy announced in this notice is effective on March 22, 2016.

ADDRESSES: This notice is part of docket USCG–2016–0201 and is available online by going to <http://www.regulations.gov>, inserting USCG–2016–0201 in the “Keyword” box, and then clicking “Search.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, contact Mr. Michael Brown, Office of Domestic and International Port Security, United States Coast Guard, telephone 202–372–1081 and email Michael.W.Brown@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background and Purpose**

Section 70110 of title 46, United States Code, enacted as part of section 102(a) of the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107–295, Nov. 25, 2002) authorizes the Secretary of Homeland Security to impose conditions of entry on vessels requesting entry into the United States arriving from ports that are not maintaining effective anti-terrorism measures. It also requires public notice of the ineffective anti-terrorism measures. The Secretary has delegated to the Coast Guard authority to carry out the provisions of this section. Previous notices have imposed or removed conditions of entry on vessels arriving from certain countries, and those conditions of entry and the countries they pertain to remain in effect unless modified by this notice. On April 4, 2008 the Coast Guard published a Notice of Policy in the **Federal Register**, (73 FR 18546), announcing that it had determined that ports in the Republic of Cuba were not maintaining effective anti-terrorism measures, and imposed conditions of entry.

Based on port assessments conducted in February 2016, the Coast Guard has determined that the Republic of Cuba is now maintaining effective anti-terrorism measures, and is accordingly removing the conditions of entry announced in the previously published Notice of Policy. With this notice, the current list of countries not maintaining effective anti-terrorism measures is as follows: Cambodia, Cameroon, Comoros, Cote d'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea, The Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Iran, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Nigeria, Sao Tome and Principe, Syria, Timor-Leste, Venezuela and Yemen. Notwithstanding

this Notice, the “Unauthorized Entry into Cuban Territorial Waters” regulations located at 33 CFR part 107 remain in effect.

This notice is issued under authority of 46 U.S.C. 70110(d).

Dated: March 16, 2016.

Fred M. Midgette,
Vice Admiral, USCG, Deputy Commandant
for Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**Coast Guard**

[Docket No. USCG–2016–0165]

Port Access Route Study (PARS): In Nantucket Sound

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of study; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is conducting a Port Access Route Study (PARS) to determine whether it should revise existing regulations to improve navigation safety in Nantucket Sound due to factors such as increased vessels traffic, changing vessel traffic patterns, weather conditions, or navigational difficulty.

DATES: Comments and related material must be received on or before June 20, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, or view documents noted to be available in the docket, and comments made in response to this notice using the Federal eRulemaking Portal (<http://www.regulations.gov>), docket USCG–2016–0165.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, email D01-SMB-NantucketPARS@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Public Participation and Request for Comments**

We encourage you to participate in this study by submitting comments and related materials. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov> and will include any personal information you have provided.

A. Submitting Comments: You may submit your comments and material online via <http://www.regulations.gov>. Type “USCG–2016–0165” into the search bar and click search, next to the displayed search results click “Comment Now”, which will open the comment page for this study. We will

consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

B. Viewing Comments and Documents: To view comments, as well as documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, type “USCG–2016–0165” into the search bar and click search, next to the displayed search results click “Open Docket Folder”, which will display all comments and documents associated with this study.

C. Public Meeting: The Coast Guard may hold public meeting(s) if there is sufficient public interest. You must submit a request for one on or before April 12, 2016. You may submit your request for a public meeting online via <http://www.regulations.gov>. Please explain why you believe a public meeting would be beneficial. If we determine that a public meeting would aid in the study, we will hold a meeting at a time and place announced by a later notice in the **Federal Register**.

D. Privacy Act: Anyone can search the electronic form of comments received into any of our 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 a Privacy Act notice regarding our public dockets in the January 17, 2008, issue of the **Federal Register** (73 FR 3316).

II. Definitions

The following definitions (except “Regulated Navigation Area”) are from the International Maritime Organization’s (IMO’s) publication “Ships’ Routing” Tenth Edition 2010 and should help you review this notice:

Area to be avoided (ATBA) means a routing measure comprising an area within defined limits in which either navigation is particularly hazardous or it is exceptionally important to avoid casualties and which should be avoided by all ships, or certain classes of ships.

Deep-water route means a route within defined limits, which has been accurately surveyed for clearance of sea bottom and submerged obstacles as indicated on the chart.

Inshore traffic zone means a routing measure comprising a designated area between the landward boundary of a traffic separation scheme and the adjacent coast, to be used in accordance with the provisions of Rule 10(d), as amended, of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972 (COLREGS).

Precautionary area means a routing measure comprising an area within defined limits where ships must