

ACTION: Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel DESTINY'S WINDS.

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 September 20, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2002-13156. 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:* DESTINY'S WINDS. *Owner:* Hugh C. Garver.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. *According to the applicant:* "The vessel is 46' long, 14' breadth, with a gross tonnage of 16 and a net tonnage of 14."

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. *According to the applicant:* "I intend to use the vessel for charter work throughout the coastline of Florida. If possible, I would extend the area to include New Orleans to Savannah, GA."

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. *Date of construction:* 1980. *Place of construction:* La Rochelle, France.

(5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial passenger vessel operators. *According to the applicant:* "To my knowledge, there are no long range charter sail operators in the area of Destin, Florida. In researching the feasibility of such an operation, I could only find five advertised charter operators within the geographic area I have requested."

(6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. *According to the applicant:* "Throughout the coastline, there are many facilities that one can get immediate towing and repair service. They could help me if necessary and any work would be of benefit to them should I need their services."

Dated: August 16, 2002.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

[Docket Number: MARAD-2002-13155]

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 WILD FLOWER.

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 September 20, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2002-13155. 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>.

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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:* WILD FLOWER. *Owner:* Wild Flower Enterprises.

(2) Size, capacity and tonnage of vessel. According to the applicant: "The vessel is 64'8" long, her breadth is 17'5" and her depth is 7'. Her gross tonnage is 29 GRT and her net tonnage is 26 NRT."

(3) Intended use for vessel, including geographic region of intended operation and trade. According to the applicant: "The vessel is unique in the crewed chartering industry in that . . . she charters only for two passengers . . . The average charter lasts for one week (food and wine included in the price) with the boat on anchor or on a mooring overnight . . . The geographic region of intended operation is in the waters from New York City through the waters of Maine."

(4) Date and Place of construction and (if applicable) rebuilding. *Date of construction:* 1985. *Place of construction:* Taiwan, ROC.

(5) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on other commercial

passenger vessel operators. According to the applicant: "Since there are currently no vessels in the intended area of operation over 55' that charter exclusively for two passengers, there can be no impact, if the waiver is granted on other commercial vessel operators."

(6) A statement on the impact this waiver will have on U.S. shipyards. According to the applicant: "If the application is granted, the vessel will be in the United States in the appropriate season and can have her yearly hauling and bottom painting done at U.S. shipyards. This can only have a positive impact on these shipyards."

Dated: August 16, 2002.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

[Treasury Order Number 150-39]

Delegation of Authority to Act as Competent or Taxation Authority for Possessions of the United States

July 17, 2002.

1. *Purpose.* The purpose of this Order is to formalize the authority of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to act as the competent authority or taxation authority under tax coordination agreements and tax implementation agreements with the possessions of the United States, with the responsibility for coordination and liaison of tax

administration issues involving the possessions of the United States.

2. *Delegation.* The authority of the Secretary of the Treasury to act as competent authority or taxation authority with regard to tax implementation and coordination agreements that are entered into with the possessions of the United States is hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. The authority of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to provide for the administration of the United States internal revenue laws in the possessions of the United States (including administration of the aforesaid tax agreements) remains in effect.

3. *Redelegation.* The Commissioner may redelegate this authority in writing to any officer or employee of the Internal Revenue Service.

4. *Ratification.* To the extent that any action heretofore taken by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue or his delegate consistent with the delegation set forth in this Order may require ratification, such action is hereby affirmed and ratified.

Authorities

a. IRC § 7803(a)(2).

b. Subtitle G of Title XII of the Tax Reform Act of 1986, sections 1271 to 1277 of Pub. Law 99-514, 100 Stat. 2085, 2591-2602.

6. *Office of Primary Interest.*

Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

Paul H. O'Neill,

Secretary of the Treasury.

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