Washington, DC 20503, Attention Maritime Administration Desk Officer.

Comments are Invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on October 15, 2008. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 29, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anne Dougherty, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202–366–5469; or E-MAIL: anne.dougherty@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration.

Title: Information to Determine Seamen's Re-employment Rights— National Emergency. OMB Control No.: 2133-0526.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affective Public: U.S. merchant seamen who have completed designated national service during a time of maritime mobilization need and are seeking re-employment with a prior employer.

Forms: None.

Abstract: This collection is needed in order to implement provisions of the Maritime Security Act of 1996. These provisions grant re-employment rights and other benefits to certain merchant seamen serving aboard vessels used by the United States during times of national emergencies. The Maritime Security Act of 1996 establishes the procedures for obtaining the necessary Maritime Administration certification for re-employment rights and other benefits.

Need and Use of the Information: The Maritime Administration will use the information to determine if U.S. civilian mariners are eligible for re-employment rights under the Maritime Security Act of 1996.

Dates: Comments should be submitted on or before March 2, 2009.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 10 hours.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: Maritime Administration Desk Officer.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect, if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Dated: December 22, 2008.

Leonard Sutter,

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on September 23, 2008. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 29, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rita Jackson on (202) 366–0284 or Anne Dougherty on (202) 366–5469, Maritime Administration, Office of Maritime Workforce Development, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. E-Mail Addresses: rita.jackson@dot.gov or anne.dougherty@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration.

Title: Service Obligation Compliance Report and Merchant Marine Reserve U.S. Naval Reserve Annual Report.

OMB Control No.: 2133–0509. Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affective Public: Graduates of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and every subsidized State Maritime Academy graduate who receive a student incentive payment.

Forms: MA-930.

Abstract: Chapters 513 and 515 of the United States Code imposes a service obligation on every graduate of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, and every subsidized State Maritime Academy graduate who received a student incentive payment. This mandatory service obligation is for the Federal financial assistance provided the graduate. This information is required to ensure the graduate is fulfilling his mandatory service obligation.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 718 hours.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and

Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: Maritime Administration Desk Officer.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect, if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

Dated: December 19, 2008.

Leonard Sutter.

Secretary, Maritime Administration.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2008-0116]

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 *I DREAM OF JEANNE*.

SUMMARY: As authorized by 46 U.S.C. 12121, 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 brief description of the proposed service, is listed below.

The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD–2008–0116 at http://www.regulations.gov. 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, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), 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 in that business, a waiver will

not be granted. 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.

DATES: Submit comments on or before January 29, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2008-0116. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov. 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:// www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joann Spittle, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W21–203, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202– 366–5979.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel *I DREAM OF JEANNE* is:

Intended Use: "Daily and overnight cruises for no more than six paying passengers."

Geographic Region: "Florida and Georgia."

Privacy Act

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all 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 DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477–78).

Dated: December 19, 2008.

By order of the Maritime Administrator. **Leonard Sutter**,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD-2008-0114]

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 YACHTA YACHTA.

SUMMARY: As authorized by 46 U.S.C. 12121, 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 brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD-2008-0114 at http://www.regulations.gov. 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, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), 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 in that business, a waiver will not be granted. 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.

DATES: Submit comments on or before January 29, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2008-0114. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DČ 20590. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov. 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