

Dated: March 26, 2003.

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*Director, Office of Federal Advisory  
Committee Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[USCG-2003-14814]

#### Great Lakes Pilotage Advisory Committee; Meeting

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Great Lakes Pilotage Advisory Committee (GLPAC) will meet to discuss various issues relating to pilotage on the Great Lakes. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** The GLPAC will meet on Monday, May 5, 2003, from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, May 6, 2003, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The meeting may close early if all business is finished. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before May 1, 2003. Requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee should reach the Coast Guard on or before May 1, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** GLPAC will meet at the Maritime Institute of Technology Training and Conference Center, Room Deck A, 5700 Hammonds Ferry Road, Linthicum Heights, MD 21090. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Margie Hegy, Commandant (G-MW), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. This notice is available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Margie Hegy, Executive Director of GLPAC, telephone 202-267-0415, fax 202-267-4700.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of the meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

### Agenda

The agenda includes the following:

- (1) Ratemaking Methodology.
- (2) Pilot Attrition.
- (3) Briefing on Maritime Security on the Great Lakes.
- (4) Develop Notice for Public Input on Cost Saving Reform Strategies for Great Lakes Pilotage.

(5) Update on Coast Guard Great Lakes Pilotage Activities and Work List for Near Future.

(6) 2003 Shipping Season Issues.

(7) Briefing on Determining Pilotage Rate by Vessel Size.

### Procedural

The meeting is open to the public. Please note that the meeting may close early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meeting. If you would like to make an oral presentation at the meeting, please notify the Executive Director no later than May 1, 2003. Written material for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than May 1, 2003. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee in advance of the meeting, please submit 10 copies to Margie Hegy at the address in the **ADDRESSES** section no later than April 28, 2003.

### Information on Services for Individuals with Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact the Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: March 27, 2003.

**Paul J. Pluta,**

*Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Assistant  
Commandant for Marine Safety, Security and  
Environmental Protection.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-3176-EM]

#### Connecticut; Emergency and Related Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of an emergency for the State of Connecticut (FEMA-3176-EM), dated March 11, 2003, and related determinations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 11, 2003.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated March 11, 2003, the President declared an emergency under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the impact in certain areas of the State of Connecticut, resulting from the record/near record snow on February 17-18, 2003, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 5121-5206 (Stafford Act). I, therefore, declare that such an emergency exists in the State of Connecticut.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes, such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide emergency protective measures under the Public Assistance program to save lives, protect public health and safety, and property. Other forms of assistance under Title V of the Stafford Act may be added at a later date, as you deem appropriate. You are further authorized to provide this emergency assistance in the affected areas for a period of 48 hours. You may extend the period of assistance, as warranted. This assistance excludes regular time costs for sub-grantees' regular employees. Assistance under this emergency is authorized at 75 percent Federal funding for eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Acting Under Secretary for Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security, under Executive Order 12148, as amended by Executive Order 13286, James N. Russo of the Federal Emergency Management Agency is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared emergency.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of Connecticut to have been affected adversely by this declared emergency:

Fairfield, Hartford, Litchfield, Middlesex, New Haven, New London, Tolland, and Windham Counties for emergency protective measures (Category B) under the Public Assistance program for a period of 48 hours.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

**Michael D. Brown,**

*Acting Under Secretary, Emergency  
Preparedness and Response.*

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