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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD01-07-058]

Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Charles River and Its Tributaries, Boston, MA

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 Massachusetts Bay Commuter Railroad (MBCR)/Amtrak Bridge across the Charles River, mile 0.8, at Boston, Massachusetts. Under this temporary deviation, in effect for two weekends, the MBTA/Amtrak Bridge may remain in the closed position on Friday evening June 8 and 15, 2007, from 11:59 p.m. through to 5 a.m. Saturday morning. Vessels that can pass under the draw without a bridge opening may do so at all times. This deviation is necessary to facilitate bridge track repairs.

DATES: This deviation is effective from June 8, 2007 through June 16, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Materials referred to in this document are available for inspection or copying at the First Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch Office, 408 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts, 02110, between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (617) 223-8364. The First Coast Guard District Bridge Branch Office maintains the public docket for this temporary deviation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John McDonald, Project Officer, First Coast Guard District, at (617) 223-8364.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The MBTA/Amtrak Bridge, across the Charles River, mile 0.8, at Boston, Massachusetts, has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 3 feet at mean high water and 12 feet at mean low water. The existing drawbridge operation regulations are listed at 33 CFR 117.591(c).

The owner of the bridge, the Massachusetts Bay Commuter Railroad (MBCR), requested a temporary deviation to facilitate repairs to the bridge rails.

Under this temporary deviation the MBCR/Amtrak Bridge need not open for the passage of vessel traffic on Friday evening June 8, 2007 and June 15, 2007, from 11:59 p.m. through 5 a.m. Saturday morning. Vessels that can pass under the bridge without a bridge opening may do so at all times.

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: June 4, 2007.

Gary Kassof,

Bridge Program Manager, First Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[CGD09-07-021]

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Safety Zone; Roostertail Fireworks, Detroit River, Detroit, MI

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone on the Detroit River, Detroit, Michigan. This zone is intended to restrict vessels from a portion of Detroit River during the Roostertail fireworks display. This temporary safety zone is necessary to protect spectators and vessels from the hazards associated with fireworks displays.

DATES: This rule is effective from 9 p.m. on June 2, 2007 until 11 p.m. on June 29, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket, are part of docket [CGD09-07-021] and are available for inspection or copying at U.S. Coast Guard Sector Detroit, 110 Mt. Elliot Ave., Detroit, MI 48207 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LT Jeff Ahlgren, Waterways Management, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Detroit, 110 Mount Elliot Ave., Detroit, MI 48207; (313) 568-9580.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory Information

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing an NPRM. The permit application was not received in time to publish an NPRM followed by a final rule before the effective date.

Under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. Delaying this rule would be contrary to the public interest of ensuring the safety of spectators and vessels during this event, and immediate action is necessary to prevent possible loss of life and property. The Coast Guard has not received any complaints or negative comments previously with regard to this event.

Background and Purpose

This temporary safety zone is necessary to ensure the safety of vessels and spectators from hazards associated with a fireworks display. Based on accidents that have occurred in other Captain of the Port zones and the explosive hazards of fireworks, the Captain of the Port Detroit has determined fireworks launches in close proximity to watercraft pose significant risk to public safety and property. The likely combination of large numbers of recreation vessels, congested waterways, darkness punctuated by bright flashes of light, alcohol use, and debris falling into the water could easily result in serious injuries or fatalities. Establishing a safety zone to control vessel movement around the location of the launch platform will help ensure the safety of persons and property at these events and help minimize the associated risks.

Discussion of Rule

A temporary safety zone is necessary to ensure the safety of spectators and vessels during the setup, loading, and launching of a fireworks display in conjunction with the Roostertail Fireworks Display. The fireworks display will occur between 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. on June 2, 2007 and June 29, 2007.

The safety zone for the June 2, 2007 and June 29, 2007 fireworks will encompass all waters of Detroit River, near the Roostertail Restaurant between Detroit and Belle Isle, bound by the following coordinates: 42-21'17.75" N/ 082-58'31.12" W; 42-21'13.15" N/082-58'28.40" W; 42-21'16.36" N/082-58'19.42" W; 42-21'20.59" N/082-58'22.36" W. All geographic coordinates