

Review, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health, 45 Center Drive, Room 3AN12, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-594-3998, trempe@mail.nih.gov.

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Jennifer Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of General Medical Sciences; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of General Medical Sciences Special Emphasis Panel; Bridges to Baccalaureate.

Date: July 15, 2008

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Bethesda Marriott, 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Helen R. Sunshine, PhD, Chief, Office of Scientific Review, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, Room 3AN-12F, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-594-2881, sunshinh@nigms.nih.gov.

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Name of Committee: National Institute of General Medical Sciences Special Emphasis Panel; Training Grants.

Date: July 15, 2008.

Time: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 45, Room 3AN18F, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Arthur L. Zachary, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Office of Scientific Review, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, Room 3AN-12, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594-2886, zacharya@nigms.nih.gov.

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Name of Committee: National Institute of General Medical Sciences Special Emphasis Panel; Trauma and Burn.

Date: July 18, 2008.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hyatt Regency, One Bethesda Metro Center, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Contact Person: Lisa Dunbar, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Office of Scientific Review, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health, 45 Center Drive, Room 3AN12, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-594-2849, dunbar@mail.nih.gov. (Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.375, Minority Biomedical Research Support; 93.821, Cell Biology and Biophysics Research; 93.859, Pharmacology, Physiology, and Biological Chemistry Research; 93.862, Genetics and Developmental Biology Research; 93.88, Minority Access to Research Careers; 93.96, Special Minority Initiatives, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket # USCG-2008-0369]

Area Maritime Security Advisory Committee (AMSC), Boston, MA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Solicitation for Membership.

SUMMARY: This notice requests individuals interested in serving on the Area Maritime Security Committee (AMSC) Boston, MA submit their applications for membership to the Captain of the Port (COTP) Boston, MA.

DATES: Requests for membership should reach the U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port Boston, MA by July 23, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Applications for membership should be submitted to the Captain of the Port at the following address: Captain of the Port Boston, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Boston, Contingency Planning and Force Readiness Department, 427 Commercial St., Boston, MA 02109.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions about submitting an application or about the AMSC in general, contact Mr. Phillip Smith, 617-223-3008.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

Section 102 of the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA) of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-295) added section 70112 to Title 46 of the U.S. Code, and authorized the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating to establish Area Maritime Security Advisory Committees for any port area of the United States. (See 33 U.S.C. 1226; 46 U.S.C.; 33 CFR 1.05-1, 6.01; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1). The MTSA includes a provision exempting these AMSCs from the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-436, 86 Stat. 470 (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The AMSCs shall assist the Captain of the Port in the development, review, update, and exercising of the AMS Plan for their area of responsibility. Such matters may include, but are not limited to: identifying critical port infrastructure and operations; identifying risks (threats, vulnerabilities, and consequences); determining mitigation strategies and implementation methods; developing strategies to facilitate the recovery of the MTS after a Transportation Security Incident; developing and describing the process to continually evaluate overall port security by considering consequences and vulnerabilities, how they may change over time, and what additional mitigation strategies can be applied; and providing advice to, and assisting the Captain of the Port in developing and maintaining the Area Maritime Security Plan.

AMSC Membership

Members of the AMSC should have at least 5 years of experience related to maritime or port security operations. The Boston AMSC has 29 members. We are seeking to fill 6 vacancies with this solicitation. Applicants may be required to pass an appropriate security background check prior to appointment.

to the Committee. Members' term of office will be for 5 years; however, a member is eligible to serve additional terms of office. Members will not receive any salary or other compensation for their service on the AMSC. In support of the USCG policy on gender and ethnic diversity, we encourage qualified women and members of minority groups to apply.

Request for Applications

Those seeking membership are not required to submit formal applications to the local Captain of the Port, however, because we do have an obligation to ensure that a specific number of members have the prerequisite maritime security experience, we encourage the submission of resumes highlighting experience in maritime and security industries.

Dated: May 15, 2008.

Gail P. Kulisch,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port/Federal Maritime Security Coordinator/Commander, Coast Guard Sector Boston, MA.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2008-0436]

Nontank Vessel Response Plan Enforcement

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is issuing this notice to inform U.S. and foreign flag nontank vessel owners and operators that effective August 22, 2008, we will begin enforcing the requirement to prepare and submit a nontank vessel response plan (NTVRP) for certain nontank vessels, as required by the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004.

DATES: The policy announced in this document will become effective August 22, 2008. Comments and related materials must reach the Docket Management Facility on or before July 23, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Coast Guard docket number USCG-2008-0436 to the Docket Management Facility at the U.S. Department of Transportation. To avoid duplication, please use only one of the following methods:

(1) *Online:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.

(2) *Mail:* Docket Management Facility (M-30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590.

(3) *Hand Delivery:* Room W12-140 on the Ground Floor of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202-366-9329.

(4) *Fax:* 202-493-2251.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions on this policy, contact Lieutenant Jarrod DeWitz, U.S. Coast Guard, telephone 202-372-1219 or vrp@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, please call Ms. Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Request for Comments

We encourage you to submit comments and related materials about the enforcement policy announced in this notice. All comments received will be posted, without change, to <http://www.regulations.gov> and will include any personal information you have provided.

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this notice (USCG-2008-0436), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and give the reason for each comment. We recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an e-mail address, or a phone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

You may submit your comments and materials by mail, hand delivery, fax, or electronic means to the Docket Management Facility listed under **ADDRESSES**. If you choose to submit them by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no longer than 8 1/2 by 11 inches, and suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit them by mail and would like to know if they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and materials received during the comment period.

Background and Purpose

Section 701 of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004 (CGMTA), Pub. L. 108-293, amended section 311(j)(5) of the Federal Water

Pollution Control Act (FWPCA), 33 U.S.C. 1321(j)(5), and required owners and operators of nontank vessels to prepare and submit by August 9, 2005, plans for responding: (1) To a worst case discharge; and (2) to a substantial threat of such a discharge of oil from their vessels. A nontank vessel is defined as a self-propelled vessel of 400 gross tons or greater, which carries oil as fuel for main propulsion and operates on the navigable waters of the United States. Vessels that carry oil as primary or secondary cargo are currently regulated under 33 CFR part 155, subpart D, and are not subject to this notice. The 2004 Act also requires promulgation of regulations that prescribe the content and submission of the nontank vessel response plans.

The Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2006 (Pub. L. 109-241) clarified that nontank vessel response plans are required for vessels of 400 gross tons or greater as measured under the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969, measurement system in 46 U.S.C. 14302, or the regulatory measurement system of 46 U.S.C. 14502 for vessels not measured under 46 U.S.C. 14302.

Since the passage of the 2004 Act, the Coast Guard has published Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular (NVIC) 01-05 CH 1 and a Federal Notice on June 24, 2005 (70 FR 36649) providing guidance with respect to enforcement of these requirements. NVIC 01-05 CH 1 also provides guidance to vessel owners and operators regarding the development of NTVRPs to meet the intent of the 2004 Act for the immediate submission of NTVRPs and for the Coast Guard's issuance of 2-year interim operating authorizations pending issuance of a final rule.

Considering that some nontank vessels still have not submitted a NTVRP to the Coast Guard and that the risks associated with oil spills from large nontank vessels similar to the November 7, 2007, COSCO BUSAN oil spill in San Francisco Bay, the Coast Guard will, effective August 22, 2008, begin actively enforcing the 2004 Act by screening all nontank vessels prior to their port arrival for the submission of NTVRPs. In an effort to devote our enforcement resources to those nontank vessels that pose the greatest risk in the event of a worst case discharge, this interim enforcement policy will focus on those nontank vessels of 1,600 gross tons or greater. For such vessels without a properly submitted plan, operational controls will be placed on the vessels by the Captains of the Port (COTP) under the authority of regulations in 33 CFR