#### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Maritime Administration**

[Docket No. MARAD-2009 0092]

# 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 MAGNIFICAT.

**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-2009-0092 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 November 12, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2009-0092. 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 MAGNIFICAT is:

Intended Commercial Use of Vessel: "Carrying passengers for hire on a 38 foot sailing catamaran uninspected vessel for small charters for sightseeing, team building and sailing instruction."

Geographic Region: "Primarily in the San Francisco area, but with some offshore charters that would include California, Washington & Oregon waters"

## **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: October 5, 2009.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator. Christine Gurland,

Secretary, Maritime Administration. [FR Doc. E9–24477 Filed 10–9–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–81–P

## TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

## Meeting of the Regional Resource Stewardship Council

**AGENCY:** Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA).

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The TVA Regional Resource Stewardship Council (RRSC) will hold a meeting on Thursday, October 29, and Friday, October 30, 2009, to consider various matters.

The RRSC was established to advise TVA on its natural resource stewardship activities. Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, (FACA).

The management of the Tennessee Valley reservoirs and the lands adjacent to them has long been integral components of TVA's mission. As part

of implementing the TVA Environmental Policy, TVA is developing a Natural Resource Plan (NRP) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the process established by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) that will help prioritize techniques for the management of TVA's sustainable land use activities, natural resource management activities, and water resource protection and improvement activities. TVA would like to utilize the RRSC as a key stakeholder group throughout the EIS period to advise TVA on the issues, tradeoffs, and focus of environmental stewardship activities. At the October meeting, TVA will be seeking advice from the Council on issues regarding the scope and direction of the study.

TVA will also be seeking recommendations and advice on the NRP objectives and activities that complement the use of public lands with the protection of these natural resources.

The meeting agenda includes the following:

- 1. Introductions.
- 2. Informational Items and Project Updates (Kingston Fly Ash Recovery Efforts, Integrated Resource Plan status, and carbon legislation).
- 3. RRSC Discussion Topic: Natural Resource Plan (e.g. Natural Resource Management, Sustainable Land Use, and Water Protection).
  - 4. Public Comments.

5. Council Discussion and Advice. The TVA RRSC will hear opinions and views of citizens by providing a public comment session. The public comment session will be held at 10 a.m., EDT, on Friday, October 30. Persons wishing to speak are requested to register at the door by 9 a.m., on Friday, October 30, and will be called on during the public comment period. Handout materials should be limited to one printed page. Written comments are also invited and may be mailed to the Regional Resource Stewardship Council, Tennessee Valley Authority, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, WT-11B, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday, October 29, from, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Friday, October 20, from 8 a.m.–12 Noon, EDT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Auditorium of the TVA Headquarters at 400 West Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, and will be open to the public. Anyone needing special access or accommodations should let the contact below know at least a week in advance.