

area that could adversely affect levels of service at nearby intersections.

FTA Procedures: Regulations implementing NEPA, as well as provisions of SAFETEA-LU, call for public involvement in the EIS process. Section 6002 of SAFETEA-LU requires that FTA do the following: (1) Extend an invitation to other Federal and non-Federal agencies and Indian Tribes that may have an interest in the proposed project to become participating agencies; (2) provide an opportunity for involvement by participating agencies and the public in helping to define the purpose and need for a proposed project, as well as the range of alternatives for consideration; and (3) establish a plan for coordinating public and agency participation in and comment on the environmental review process. An invitation to become a participating agency will be extended to other Federal and non-Federal agencies and Indian Tribes that may have an interest in the proposed project. It is possible that we may not be able to identify all Federal and non-Federal agencies and Indian Tribes that may have such an interest. Any Federal or non-Federal agency or Indian Tribe interested in the proposed project that does not receive an invitation to become a participating agency should notify, at the earliest opportunity, the City at the **ADDRESSES** or phone number above.

A comprehensive public involvement program has been developed. A technical advisory committee called the Project Development Team, consisting of representatives of State, regional and local agencies, is in place. The program also includes a public scoping process, a public review/comment period and public hearing on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, development and distribution of project newsletters and posting of information on the project Web site. The purposes of and need for the proposed project have been preliminarily identified in this notice. We invite the public and participating agencies to consider the preliminary statement of purposes of and need for the proposed project, as well as potential alternatives, and the public is welcome to use the public scoping process to further define the issues of concern among all parties interested in the project. Comments on potential significant environmental impacts that may be associated with the proposed project are also welcomed. All comments and suggestions will be given serious consideration. Comments on potentially significant environmental impacts that may be associated with the proposed project are also welcomed. There will be additional opportunities

to participate in the scoping process at the public meetings announced in this notice. In accordance with 23 CFR 771.105(a) and 771.133, FTA will comply with all Federal environmental laws, regulations and executive orders applicable to the proposed project during the environmental review process to the maximum extent practicable. These requirements include, but are not limited to, the regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality implementing NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500–1508 and 23 CFR part 771), the project-level air quality conformity regulation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (40 CFR part 93), section 404(b)(1) guidelines of EPA (40 CFR part 230), Executive Orders 11988, 11990 and 12898 regarding floodplains, wetlands, and environmental justice, respectively; Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR Part 800); Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (50 CFR part 402); and Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act (23 CFR 774). The EIR portion of the document will be prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15000 *et seq.*

Dated: November 13, 2009.

Leslie T. Rogers,

Federal Transit Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[USCG–2006–24644]

TORP Terminal LP, Bienville Offshore Energy Terminal Liquefied Natural Gas Deepwater Port License Application; Preparation of Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability; Notice of public meeting; Request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Maritime Administration, in cooperation with the U.S. Coast Guard announces the availability of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) for the TORP Terminal LP, Bienville Offshore Energy Terminal (BOET) Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Deepwater Port license amended application. The amended application describes a project that would be located in the Gulf of Mexico, in Main Pass block MP 258, approximately 63 miles south of Mobile Point, Alabama.

Publication of this notice begins a 45 day comment period and provides information on how to participate in the process.

DATES: The public meeting will be held in Mobile, Alabama on December 9, 2009, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., and will be preceded by an open house from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. The public meeting may end later than the stated time, depending on the number of persons wishing to speak. Material submitted in response to this request for comments must reach the Docket Management Facility by January 4, 2010.

ADDRESSES: The open house and public meeting will be held at the: Mobile Convention Center, One South Water Street, Mobile, Alabama 36602; *telephone:* 251–208–2100.

The amended application, comments and associated documentation are available for viewing at the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Web site: <http://www.regulations.gov> under docket number USCG–2006–24644.

Docket submissions for USCG–2006–24644 should be addressed to: Department of Transportation, Docket Management Facility, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590–0001.

The Docket Management Facility accepts hand-delivered submissions, and makes docket contents available for public inspection and copying at the above address between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Facility telephone number is 202–366–9329, the fax number is 202–493–2251, and the Web site for electronic submissions or for electronic access to docket contents is <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Patrick Marchman, Maritime Administration, telephone: 202–366–8805, e-mail:

Patrick.Marchman@dot.gov; or Mr. Linden Houston, Maritime Administration, telephone: 202–366–4839, e-mail: Linden.Houston@dot.gov. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–493–0402.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Meeting and Open House

We invite you to learn about the proposed deepwater port at an informational open house and to comment at a public meeting immediately afterwards on the proposed action and the evaluation contained in the DSEIS. In order to allow everyone a

chance to speak at the public meeting, we may limit speaker time, or extend the meeting hours, or both. You must identify yourself, and any organization you represent, by name. Your remarks will be recorded or transcribed for inclusion in the public docket.

You may submit written material at the public meeting, either in place of or in addition to speaking. Written material must include your name and address and will be included in the public docket.

Public docket materials will be made available to the public on the Federal Docket Management Facility (*see* Request for Comments).

Our public meeting location is wheelchair-accessible. If you plan to attend the open house or public meeting and need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodation, please notify the Maritime Administration (*see* **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) at least 3 business days in advance. Include your contact information as well as information about your specific needs.

Request for Comments

We request public comments or other relevant information on the DSEIS. The public meeting is not the only opportunity you have to comment. In addition to or in place of attending this meeting, you may submit comments to the Docket Management Facility during the public comment period (*see* **DATES**). We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

Submissions should include:

- Docket number USCG–2006–24644.
- Your name and address.

Submit comments or material using only one of the following methods:

- Electronic submission to FDMS, <http://www.regulations.gov>.
- Fax, mail, or hand delivery to the Docket Management Facility (*see* **ADDRESSES**). Faxed or hand delivered submissions must be unbound, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, and suitable for copying and electronic scanning. If you mail your submission and want to know when it reaches the Facility, include a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope.

Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the FDMS Web site (<http://www.regulations.gov>) and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy and Use Notice that is available on the FDMS Web site and the

Department of Transportation Privacy Act Notice that appeared in the **Federal Register** on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477) (*see* Privacy Act). You may view docket submissions at the Department of Transportation Docket Management Facility or electronically on the FDMS Web site (*see* **ADDRESSES**).

Background

The Notice of Intent to Prepare a Supplemental EIS for the proposed action was published in the **Federal Register** at 74 FR 39136, August 5, 2009. The DSEIS, application materials and associated comments are available on the docket. Information from the “Summary of the Application” from previous **Federal Register** notices is included below for your convenience.

Proposed Action and Alternatives

The proposed action requiring environmental review is the Federal licensing of the proposed deepwater port described in the “Summary of the Application” below. The alternatives to approving and licensing the proposed port are: (1) Approving and licensing with conditions (including conditions designed to mitigate environmental impact), or (2) denying the application, which for purposes of environmental review is the “no-action” alternative. These alternatives are more fully discussed in the DSEIS. The Maritime Administration and the U.S. Coast Guard are the lead Federal agencies for the preparation of the Supplemental EIS. You can address any questions about the proposed action or the DSEIS to the Maritime Administration project managers identified in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Summary of the Application

TORP Terminal LP proposes to own, construct, and operate a deepwater port, the Bienville Offshore Energy Terminal (BOET), in the Federal waters of the Outer Continental Shelf on Main Pass Block MP 258, approximately 63 miles south of Mobile Point, Alabama, in a water depth of approximately 425 feet. The proposed BOET deepwater port would be capable of mooring a single LNG carrier (LNGC) of up to approximately 265,000 cubic meters (m³) (8.8 million cubic feet [ft³]) in capacity.

The LNGC would be off-loaded using a HiLoad LNG off-loading and regasification unit (HiLoad), which is proprietary technology consisting of a remotely operated floating LNG transfer and regasification unit that connects to the hull of the LNGC. The HiLoad unit would regasify the LNG and deliver the gas via flexible gas pipes to the floating

regasification unit (FRU) located approximately 250 ft (150 m) from the HiLoad unit. Ambient air vaporizers (AAVs) with methanol as an intermediate fluid (IF) would be located aboard the FRU and would provide the heat required to regasify the LNG, all in a closed-loop vaporization system design.

At the FRU, the gas would be metered and sent out via interconnect pipelines to four existing offshore pipelines (Dauphin Natural Gas Pipeline, Williams Natural Gas Pipeline, Destin Natural Gas Pipeline, and Viosca Knoll Gathering System [VKGS] Gas Pipeline) that connect to the onshore natural gas transmission pipeline system. The natural gas would be delivered to customers through existing facilities. BOET would have an average throughput capacity of 1.2 billion standard cubic feet of gas per day (Bscfd) (33.9 million cubic meters of gas per day [m³/day]).

BOET’s major components would include a turret mooring system (TMS), a FRU, a HiLoad unit, two mooring lines that connect the HiLoad to the FRU, two high pressure (HP) flexible gas pipes, two floating IF hoses, two umbilicals, and 22.7 mi (36 km) of new subsea pipelines.

No new onshore pipelines or LNG storage facilities are proposed with this action. A shore based facility will be used to facilitate movement of personnel, equipment, supplies, and disposable materials between the terminal and shore.

BOET will also require permits from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) pursuant to the provisions of the Clean Air Act, as amended, and the Clean Water Act, as amended.

Should a license be issued, construction of the deepwater port would be expected to take 30 months with startup of commercial operations anticipated in 2014. The deepwater port, if licensed, would be designed, constructed, and operated in accordance with applicable codes and standards and would have an expected operating life of approximately 25 years.

Privacy Act

Electronic copies of all comments received into the Federal Docket Management System can be searched by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, *etc.*). The DOT Privacy Act Statement can be viewed in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70, pages 19477–78) or you may visit <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Authority: 49 CFR 1.66.

Dated: November 16, 2009.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

Christine Gurland,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2009-0271]

Identification of Interstate Motor Vehicles: New York City, Cook County and New Jersey Tax Identification Requirements; Petition for Determination

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of Petition for Determination; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) extends until December 3, 2009 the comment period for the Petition for Determination that was published on October 19, 2009.

DATES: Comments are due on or before December 3, 2009.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by the Federal Docket Management System Number in the heading of this document by any of the following methods—Internet, facsimile, regular mail, or hand-delivery. Do not submit the same comments by more than one method. However, to allow effective public participation before the comment period deadline, the Agency encourages use of the Web site that is listed first. It will provide the most efficient and timely method of receiving and processing your comments.

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- **Fax:** 1-202-493-2251.

- **Mail:** Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- **Hand Delivery:** Ground floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., ET., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Instructions: All submissions must include the Agency name and docket number for this action. Note that all comments received will be posted

without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. Refer to the Privacy Act heading on <http://www.regulations.gov> for further information.

Public Participation: The regulations.gov system is generally available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. You can find electronic submission and retrieval help and guidelines under the “Help” section of the Web site. For notification that FMCSA received the comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard, or print the acknowledgement page that appears after submitting comments on line. Copies or abstracts of all documents referenced in this notice are in the docket: FMCSA-2009-0271. For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., ET., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. All comments received before the close of business on the comment closing date indicated above will be considered and will be available for examination in the docket at the above address. Comments received after the closing date will be considered to the extent practicable. FMCSA may, however, issue a final determination at any time after the close of the comment period. In addition to late comments, FMCSA will also continue to file in the public docket relevant information that becomes available after the comment closing date. Interested persons should monitor the public docket for new material.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Genevieve D. Sapir, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-7056; e-mail Genevieve.Sapir@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On October 19, 2009, FMCSA published a Notice of Petition for Determination inviting public comment on three petitions submitted by the American Trucking Associations (ATA) requesting determinations that the Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) identification requirements imposed by the State of New Jersey, New York City, and Cook County, Illinois, are preempted by Federal law (74 FR 53578). The Agency provided the public with a 30-day comment period scheduled to expire on November 18, 2009. Because of the level of interest this notice has generated,

FMCSA extends the comment period until December 3, 2009.

Issued on: November 16, 2009.

David K. Tochen,

Acting Chief Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Thrift Supervision

[AC-31; OTS Nos. 02186 and H4650]

Versailles Savings and Loan Company, Versailles, OH; Approval of Conversion Application

Notice is hereby given that on November 12, 2009, the Office of Thrift Supervision approved the application of Versailles Savings and Loan Company, Versailles, Ohio, to convert to the stock form of organization. Copies of the application are available for inspection by appointment (*phone number:* (202) 906-5922 or *e-mail:* public.info@ots.treas.gov) at the Public Reading Room, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, and the OTS Central Regional Office, 1 South Wacker Drive, Suite 2000, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

Dated: November 16, 2009.

By the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Sandra E. Evans,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Fiscal Service

Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds—Change In Business Address; American Home Assurance Company; Granite State Insurance Company; Insurance Company of the State of Pennsylvania (The); National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, PA; New Hampshire Insurance Company

AGENCY: Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is Supplement No. 5 to the Treasury Department Circular 570, 2009 Revision, published July 1, 2009, at 74 FR 31536.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Surety Bond Branch at (202) 874-6850.