DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

46 CFR Part 307

[Docket No. MARAD–2000–7706]

AMVER Bulletin Availability; Technical Amendment

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Transportation.

ACTION: Technical amendment.

SUMMARY: The Maritime Administration (MARAD) is updating information regarding an address change for the availability of the ''AMVER Bulletin''. The intended effect of this technical amendment is to provide accurate information for the availability of the ''AMVER Bulletin''. This technical amendment updates an address and is effective without delay because it is nonsubstantive.

DATES: Effective on August 3, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Walter Lockland, Chief, Division of Operations Support, (202) 366–2629, Maritime Administration MAR–613, Room 2123, 400 7th St., SW., Washington, DC, 20590–0001, or you may send e-mail to: *walter.lockland@marad.dot.gov*.

ADDRESSES: This technical amendment is available for inspection with the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL–401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590–0001, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. E.T. Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. You may also view this document via the Internet at http://dms.dot.gov by using the search function and entering the docket number [MARAD–2000–7706].

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Operators of U.S.-flag oceangoing vessels in U.S. foreign trade and certain foreign-flag vessels must report on their locations pursuant to 46 CFR part 307 to enhance the safety of vessel operations at sea and provide a contingency for events of national emergency. AMVER means Automated Mutual-Assistance Vessel Rescue System operated by the U.S. Coast Guard. The ''AMVER Bulletin'' is available from the U.S. Coast Guard, AMVER Maritime Relations Office, Battery Park Building, New York, NY 10004.

Previously, the ''AMVER Bulletin'' was available from the U.S. Coast Guard at AMVER Center, Governors Island, New York, NY 10004. However, the U.S. Coast Guard base on Governors Island is closed. Therefore, we are updating the address to reflect the Coast Guard's change of location.

List of Subjects in 46 CFR Part 307

Marine safety, Maritime carriers, Penalties, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Accordingly, 46 CFR part 307 is amended as follows:

PART 307—ESTABLISHMENT OF MANDATORY POSITION REPORTING SYSTEM FOR VESSELS

1. The authority citation for part 307 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Secs. 204(b), 212(A), 1203(a), Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended (46 App. U.S.C. 1114(b), 1122(a), 1283); Pub. L. 97–31; 46 CFR 1.66.

2. In § 307.13, revise the third sentence to read as follows:

§ 307.13 Where to report.

* * * The ''AMVER Bulletin'' is available from AMVER Maritime Relations Office, U.S. Coast Guard, Battery Park Building, New York, NY 10004. * * *

Dated: July 27, 2000.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

Joel C. Richard,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Parts 0, 1, and 64

[CC Docket No. 94–129; FCC 00–135]

Implementation of the Subscriber Carrier Selection Changes Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Policies and Rules Concerning Unauthorized Changes of Consumers Long Distance Carriers

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document amends certain liability rules, grants in part petitions for reconsideration of our Slamming proceeding. We believe these modifications will strengthen the ability to deter slamming, while addressing concerns raised with respect to our previous administrative procedures.

DATES: Effective September 5, 2000, except for §§ 1.719(a) through (d), 64.1110(a) and (b), 64.1140(a) and (b), §§ 64.1150(a) through (d), 64.1160(b) through (f), and 64.1170(b) through (f), which contain information collection requirements that have not been approved by the Office of Management Budget (OMB). The Commission will publish a document in the **Federal Register** announcing the effective date of those sections.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michele Walters, Associate Division Chief, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau, (202) 418–7400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of a Commission's Order in CC Docket No. 94–129 released on May 3, 2000. The full text of this document is available for public inspection during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Center, Room CY–A257, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554.

I. Introduction

1. In our Second Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Section 258 Order), 64 FR 7763 (February 16, 1999) we adopted rules to implement section 258 of the Communications Act of 1934 (Act), as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (1996 Act). The goal of section 258 is to eliminate the practice of ''slamming,'' which is the unauthorized change of a subscriber's preferred carrier. In the Section 258 Order, we adopted various rules addressing verification of preferred carrier changes and preferred carrier freezes. We also adopted liability rules designed to take the profit out of slamming. In this First Order on Reconsideration (Order), we amend certain of our liability rules, granting in part petitions for reconsideration of our Section 258 Order. Specifically, the revised rules provide for slamming disputes between consumers and carriers to be brought before appropriate state commissions, or this Commission in cases where the state has not opted to administer our rules, rather than to authorized carriers. In light of this decision, we deny a petition filed by several long distance carriers seeking waiver of the slamming liability rules and proposing an industry-sponsored slamming liability administrator. In this order, we also modify the liability rules that apply when a consumer has paid charges to a slamming carrier. In such instances, our new rules require slamming carriers to pay out 150% of the collected charges to the authorized carrier, which, in turn, will pay to the consumer 50% of his or her original payment. Finally, the order sets forth certain notification requirements to