

location for the lights and allow maneuvering within close proximity to offshore platforms.

The Certificate of Alternative Compliance allows for the placement of the side lights to deviate from requirements set forth in Annex I, paragraph 3(b) of 72 COLREGS, and Annex I, paragraph 84.05(b) of the Inland Rules Act. In addition the Certificate of Alternative Compliance allows for the horizontal separation of the forward and aft masthead lights to deviate from the requirements of Annex I, paragraph 3(a) of 72 COLREGS, and Annex I, Section 84.05(a) of the Inland Rules Act.

*This notice is issued under authority of 33 U.S.C. 1605(c), and 33 CFR 81.18.*

Dated: 22 June 2010.

**J.W. Johnson,**

*Commander, U.S. Coast Guard, Chief, Inspections & Investigations Branch, By Direction of the Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2010-0555]

#### Certificate of Alternative Compliance for the Offshore Supply Vessel/Well Stimulation Vessel BLUE TARPON

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard announces that a Certificate of Alternative Compliance was issued for the offshore supply vessel BLUE TARPON as required by 33 U.S.C. 1605(c) and 33 CFR 81.18.

**DATES:** The Certificate of Alternate Compliance was issued on June 8, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** The docket for this notice is available for inspection or copying at the 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, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. You may also find this docket on the Internet by going to <http://www.regulations.gov>, inserting USCG-2010-0555 in the "Keyword" box, and then clicking "Search."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this notice, call LTJG Christine Dimitroff, District Eight, Prevention Branch, U.S. Coast Guard, telephone 504-671-2176. If you have

questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background and Purpose

A Certificate of Alternative Compliance, as allowed under Title 33, Code of Federal Regulation, Parts 81 and 89, has been issued for the offshore supply vessel BLUE TARPON, O.N. 1226288. The horizontal distance between the forward and aft masthead lights may be 21'10". Placing the aft masthead light at the horizontal distance from the forward masthead light as required by Annex I, paragraph 3(a) of the 72 COLREGS, and Annex I, Section 84.05(a) of the Inland Rules Act, would result in an aft masthead light location directly over the cargo deck where it would interfere with loading and unloading operations.

The Certificate of Alternative Compliance allows for the horizontal separation of the forward and aft masthead lights to deviate from the requirements of Annex I, paragraph 3(a) of 72 COLREGS, and Annex I, Section 84.05(a) of the Inland Rules Act.

This notice is issued under authority of 33 U.S.C. 1605(c), and 33 CFR 81.18.

Dated: June 22, 2010.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

[CIS No. 2491-10; DHS Docket No. USCIS-2010-0002]

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#### Extension of the Initial Registration Period for Haitians Under the Temporary Protected Status Program

**AGENCY:** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On January 21, 2010, the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security designated Haiti under the Temporary Protected Status (TPS) program for a period of 18 months. DHS established a 180-day registration period (from January 21, 2010, through July 20, 2010). This

notice extends the registration period through January 18, 2011. This extension is necessary to provide applicants more time to register for TPS.

**DATES:** DHS designated Haiti for TPS on January 21, 2010. The registration period that was to expire on July 20, 2010, will be extended for 180 days, with a new filing deadline of January 18, 2011.

#### FURTHER INFORMATION:

- For further information on TPS, including guidance on the application process and additional information on eligibility, please visit the USCIS Web Site at <http://www.uscis.gov>. Select "Temporary Protected Status" from the homepage under "Humanitarian" benefits. You can find detailed information about Haitian TPS registration on our Web Site at the Haitian Questions & Answers Section under TPS.

- You can also contact the TPS Operations Program Manager, Status and Family Branch, Service Center Operations Directorate, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529-2060, telephone (202) 272-1533. This is not a toll-free call. Note: The phone number provided here is solely for questions regarding this TPS notice. It is not for individual case status inquiries. Applicants seeking information about the status of their individual cases can check Case Status Online available at the USCIS Web Site (<http://www.uscis.gov>), or call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 (TTY 1-800-767-1833).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### When did the Secretary designate Haiti under the TPS program?

On January 21, 2010, the Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) designated Haiti under the Temporary Protected Status (TPS) program for a period of 18 months. See 75 FR 3476 (January 21, 2010).

##### What is the Secretary's authority to extend the registration period?

The Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) authorizes the Secretary to provide TPS applicants with a registration period of "not less than 180 days" and requires applicants to register to the extent and in a manner which the Secretary establishes. See INA sec. 244(c)(1)(A)(iv), 8 U.S.C. 1254a(c)(1)(A)(iv). DHS initially set the registration period for Haiti for 180 days, from January 21, 2010, through July 20, 2010. The Secretary is extending the registration period for an