

this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (d) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent 2nd stage HPT rotating airseal cracking, which could result in an uncontained engine failure and damage to the aircraft, accomplish the following:

(a) At the next hot section shop visit after the effective date of this AD, and at each subsequent hot section shop visit, fluorescent penetrant inspect and eddy current inspect 2nd stage HPT rotating airseals for cracks, remove from service cracked airseals, and replace with serviceable parts, in accordance with Pratt & Whitney Alert Service Bulletins No. PW4ENG A72-628, Revision 1, dated February 17, 1998, and No. PW4G-100-A72-80, Revision 1, dated February 17, 1998.

(b) For the purpose of this AD, a hot section shop visit is defined as any time the HPT module is disassembled.

(c) Within 6 years after the effective date of this AD, modify 2nd stage ring segments and vane clusters, and install improved 2nd stage HPT rotating airseals in accordance with Pratt & Whitney Service Bulletins No. PW4ENG 72-636, dated May 16, 1997, No. PW4G-100-72-93, dated May 22, 1997, No. PW4ENG 72-637, dated May 16, 1997, and No. PW4G-100-72-94, dated May 22, 1997. Performance of these modifications and installation of the improved 2nd stage HPT rotating airseal constitutes terminating action to the inspection requirements of this AD.

(d) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Engine Certification Office. Operators shall submit their request through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Engine Certification Office.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this airworthiness directive, if any, may be obtained from the Engine Certification Office.

(e) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the aircraft to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on March 17, 1998.

Jay J. Pardee,

Manager, Engine and Propeller Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

30 CFR Part 206

RIN 1010-AC09

Establishing Oil Value for Royalty Due on Federal Leases

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

ACTION: Supplementary Proposed rule; notice of extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The Minerals Management Service (MMS) hereby gives notice that it is extending the public comment period on a supplementary proposed rule, which was published in the **Federal Register** on February 6, 1998, (63 FR 6113). The proposed rule amends the royalty valuation regulations for crude oil produced from Federal leases. In response to requests for additional time, MMS will extend the comment period from March 23, 1998, to April 7, 1998.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 7, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments, suggestions, or objections about this supplementary proposed rule to: Minerals Management Service, Royalty Management Program, Rules and Publications Staff, P.O. Box 25165, MS 3021, Denver, Colorado 80225-0165. Courier address is Building 85, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225. E-mail address is RMP.comments@mms.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David S. Guzy, Chief, Rules and Publications Staff, telephone number (303) 231-3432, fax number (303) 231-3385, e-mail RMP.comments@mms.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: MMS received requests from industry representatives to extend the comment period of this supplementary proposed rule. This time extension is in response to those requests in order to provide commentors with adequate time to provide detailed comments that MMS can use to proceed in the rulemaking.

Dated: March 17, 1998.

Lucy Querques Denett,

Associate Director for Royalty Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

[CGD07-98-013]

RIN 2115-AE46

Special Local Regulations; River Race Augusta, Augusta, GA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard proposes to establish permanent special local regulations for the River Race Augusta, which will be held annually on the third Friday, Saturday and Sunday of May, between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) each day. Historically, there have been approximately sixty participants racing 16 to 18 foot outboard power boats on that portion of the Savannah River at Augusta, GA, between mile markers 199 and 197. These proposed regulations are necessary to provide for the safety of life on navigable waters during the event, as the nature of the event and the closure of the Savannah River creates an extra or unusual hazard in the navigable waters.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 23, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Group Charleston, 196 Tadd Street, Charleston, SC 29401, or may be delivered to the operations office at the same address between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. The telephone number is (803) 724-7621. Comments will become a part of the public docket and will be available for copying and inspection at the same address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LTJG A.L. Cooper, Coast Guard Group Charleston at (803) 720-7748.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Request for Comments

The Coast Guard encourages interested persons to participate in the rulemaking by submitting written views, data or arguments. Persons submitting comments should include their names, addresses, identify the notice (CGD07-98-013) and the specific section of this proposal to which their comments apply and give the reason for each comment.

The Coast Guard will consider all comments received during the comment period. It may change this proposal in view of the comments received. The Coast Guard plans no public hearing. Persons may request a public hearing by

writing to the address under **ADDRESSES**. The request should include the reasons why a hearing would be beneficial. If the Coast Guard determines that the opportunity to make oral presentations will aid this rulemaking, it will hold a public hearing at a time and place announced by a later notice in the **Federal Register**.

Background and Purpose

These proposed regulations are intended to provide for the safety of life and to promote safe navigation on the waters off Augusta on the Savannah River during the River Race Augusta by controlling the traffic entering, exiting and traveling within these waters. Historically, the concentration of spectator and participant vessels associated with the River Race has posed safety concerns, which are added in this proposed special local regulation. The proposed regulation would not permit the entry or movement of spectator vessels and other non-participating vessel traffic in the area downstream from the U.S. Highway 1 Bridge on the Savannah River between mile markers 199 and 197, annually from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day, on the third Friday, Saturday and Sunday of May. These proposed regulations would permit the movement of spectator vessels and other non-participants after the termination of the race each day and during intervals between scheduled events at the discretion of the Coast Guard Patrol Commander.

Regulatory Evaluation

This proposal is not a significant regulatory action under Section 3(f) of the Executive Order 12866 and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under Section 6(a)(3) of that Order. It has been exempted from review by the Office of Management and Budget under that order. It is not significant under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Transportation (DOT) (44 FR 11040; February 26, 1979). The Coast Guard expects the economic impact of this proposed rule to be so minimal that a full Regulatory Evaluation under paragraph 10(e) of the regulatory policies and procedures of DOT is unnecessary. These proposed regulations would last for only 10 hours each day of the event.

Small Entities

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*), the Coast Guard

must consider whether this proposal will have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. "Small entities" include small business, not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their field, and government jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000.

Therefore, the Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 606(b) that this proposal, if adopted, would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities as the regulations would only be in effect for ten hours in a limited area of the Savannah River for three days each year. If, however, you think that your business or organization qualifies as a small entity and that this proposed rule will have a significant economic impact on your business or organization, please submit a comment (see **ADDRESSES**) explaining why you think it qualifies and in what way and to what degree this proposed rule will economically affect it.

Collection of Information

This proposal contains no collection of information requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Federalism

This action has been analyzed in accordance with the principles and criteria contained in Executive Order 12612 and it has been determined that the rulemaking does not have sufficient Federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

Environmental Assessment

The Coast Guard has considered the environmental impact of this proposal consistent with Section 2.B.2. of Commandant Instruction M16475.1C. In accordance with that section, this proposed action has been environmentally assessed (EA completed) and the Coast Guard has concluded that it will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment. An Environmental Assessment and a Finding of No Significant Impact have been prepared and are available in the docket for inspection or copying.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 100

Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and record keeping requirements, Waterways.

Proposed Regulations

In consideration of the foregoing, the Coast Guard proposes to amend Part 100 of Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations, as follows:

1. The authority citation for Part 100 continues to read as follows:

PART 100—(Amended)

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1233; 49 CFR 1.46 and 33 CFR 100.35.

2. A new section 100.732 is added to read as follows:

§ 100.732 Annual River Race Augusta; Savannah River, Augusta GA.

(a) *Definitions:* (1) *Regulated area.* The regulated area is formed by a line drawn directly across the Savannah River at the U.S. Highway 1 Bridge at mile marker 199 and directly across the Savannah River at mile marker 197. The regulated area would encompass the width of the Savannah River between these two lines.

(2) *Coast Guard Patrol Commander.* The Coast Guard Patrol Commander is a commissioned, warrant, or petty officer of the Coast Guard who has been designated by the Commander, Coast Guard Group Charleston, South Carolina.

(b) *Special local regulations.* (1) Entry into the regulated area is prohibited to all non-participants.

(2) After termination of the River Race Augusta each day, and during intervals between scheduled events, at the direction of the Coast Guard Patrol Commander, all vessels may resume normal operations.

(3) The Captain of the Port Charleston will issue a Marine Safety Information Broadcast Notice to Mariners to notify the maritime community of the special local regulations and the restrictions imposed.

(c) *Dates.* This section becomes effective annually from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. EDT each day, on the third Friday, Saturday and Sunday of May, unless otherwise specified in the notice to mariners.

Dated: March 6, 1998.

Captain R. Olsen, Jr.,

U.S. Coast Guard, 7th Coast Guard District, Commander Acting.

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