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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Barry Dragon, Chief, Operations Section, Seventh Coast Guard District, Bridge Section at (305) 415-6743.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal East Coast Railroad Bridge across the St. Johns River at Jacksonville, is a single leaf bridge with a vertical clearance of 9 feet above mean high water (MHW) measured at the fenders in the closed position with a horizontal clearance of 195 feet. The current operating regulation in 33 CFR 117.325(c) allows the draw to operate as an automated railroad bridge.

On May 1, 2001, the drawbridge owner requested a deviation from the current operating regulations to allow the owner to conduct a study to determine if the removal of the automation of this bridge will improve navigational safety for vessels, and increase efficiency of rail traffic.

The District Commander has granted a temporary deviation from the operating requirements listed in 33 CFR 117.325(c) for the purpose of conducting this study. Under this deviation, the Florida East Coast Railroad Bridge shall open on signal and a radiotelephone shall be maintained at the bridge for safety of navigation. The draw will close when a train approaches and remain closed for the passage of the train for a period of not more than sixteen minutes. The draw may be allowed to remain in the last used position until the next passage of a vessel or train. The deviation is effective from 8 a.m., August 2, 2001, to 4 p.m., August 31, 2001.

Request for Comments

We encourage you to participate in this rulemaking of the test schedule by submitting comments and related material. If you do so, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this deviation [CGD07-01-052], indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and give the reason for each comment. Please submit all comments and related material in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying. If you would like to know if they reached us, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider

all comments and material received during the comment period. The comment period will end on September 30, 2001.

Dated: July 2, 2001.

Greg E. Shapley,
Chief, Bridge Administration, Seventh Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD07-01-059]

Drawbridge Operation Regulations: State Road A1A (North Bridge) Drawbridge, Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, Fort Pierce, Florida

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Seventh Coast Guard District, has approved a temporary deviation from the regulations governing the operation of the State Road A1A (North Bridge) Drawbridge across the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, mile 964.8, Fort Pierce, Florida. This deviation allows the bridge owner to provide single leaf openings from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., on July 23, 2001 through July 25, 2001. Double leaf openings shall be provided with a two-hour advance notice. This temporary deviation is required to allow the bridge owner to safely complete emergency repairs to the bridge decking.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 8:30 a.m., July 23, 2001, through 4:30 p.m., July 25, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Material received from the public, as well as documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at Commander (obr), Seventh Coast Guard District, 909 S.E. 1st Avenue, Miami, FL 33131 between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Barry Dragon, Chief, Operations Section, Seventh Coast Guard District, Bridge Section at (305) 415-6743.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The State Road A1A (North Bridge) Drawbridge across the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway at Fort Pierce, Florida, is a double leaf bridge with a vertical clearance of 26 feet above mean high

water (MHW) measured at the fenders in the closed position with a horizontal clearance of 90 feet. The current operating regulation in 33 CFR 117.5 requires the draw to open on signal.

On June 27, 2001, the drawbridge owner requested a deviation from the current operating regulations to allow the owner to complete emergency repairs to the corroded decking.

The District Commander has granted a temporary deviation from the operating requirements listed in 33 CFR 117.5 for the purpose of completing these repairs. Under this deviation, the State Road A1A (North Bridge) shall operate on single leaf from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. from July 23, 2001 through July 25, 2001. Double leaf openings shall be provided with two hours advance notice.

Dated: June 28, 2001.

Greg E. Shapley,
Chief, Bridge Administration, Seventh Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD01-01-096]

Drawbridge Operation Regulations: Newark Bay, NJ

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, First Coast Guard District, has issued a temporary deviation from the drawbridge regulations which govern the operation of the Lehigh Valley (Upper Bay) railroad bridge, at mile 4.3, across Newark Bay in New Jersey. This deviation from the regulations allows the bridge owner to keep the bridge in the closed position from 6 a.m., on July 23, 2001 through 6 p.m., on July 27, 2001. This action is necessary to facilitate maintenance at the bridge. Vessels that can pass under the bridge without an opening may do so at all times.

DATES: This deviation is effective from July 23, 2001 through July 27, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Judy Yee, Project Officer, First Coast Guard District, at (212) 668-7165.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Lehigh Valley (Upper Bay) railroad bridge, at mile 4.3, across Newark Bay has a vertical clearance of 35 feet at

mean high water, and 39 feet at mean low water in the closed position. The existing operating regulations are listed at 33 CFR 117.735.

The bridge owner, Conrail, requested a temporary deviation from the operating regulations to facilitate replacement of the main counterweight sheave assembly at the bridge.

This deviation to the operating regulations will allow the owner of the bridge to keep the bridge in the closed position from 6 a.m., on July 23, 2001 through 6 p.m., on July 27, 2001. Vessels that can pass under the bridge without an opening may do so at all times.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(c), this work will be performed with all due speed in order to return the bridge to normal operation as soon as possible. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: June 28, 2001.

G.N. Naccara,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, First Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD08-01-017]

Drawbridge Operating Regulation; Lower Grand River, LA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation governing the operation of the LA 77 bridge across the Lower Grand River, mile 47.0 (Alternate Route) at Grosse Tete, Iberville Parish, Louisiana. This deviation allows the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to maintain the bridge in the closed-to-navigation position from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, July 24, 2001. At all other times, the bridge will operate normally for the passage of vessels. This temporary deviation was issued to allow for the replacement of a hydraulic valve which controls the cylinders that open and close the bridge.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Monday, July 24, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Unless otherwise indicated, documents referred to in this notice are

available for inspection or copying at the office of the Eighth Coast Guard District, Bridge Administration Branch, Commander (ob), 501 Magazine Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70130-3396. The Bridge Administration Branch maintains the public docket for this temporary deviation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David Frank, Bridge Administration Branch, Commander (ob), Eighth Coast Guard District, 501 Magazine Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70130-3396, telephone number 504-589-2965.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The LA 77 bridge across the Lower Grand River, mile 47.0 (Alternate Route) at Grosse Tete, Iberville Parish, Louisiana, has a vertical clearance of 2 feet above high water in the closed-to-navigation position and unlimited clearance in the open-to-navigation position. Navigation on the waterway consists mainly of tows with barges and some recreational craft. The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development requested a temporary deviation from the normal operation of the bridge in order to replace a defective part that controls the opening and closing of the bridge.

This deviation allows the draw of the LA 77 swing drawbridge across the Lower Grand River, mile 47.0 (Alternate Route), at Grosse Tete, Iberville Parish, Louisiana, (33 CFR 117.478(b)), to remain in the closed-to-navigation position from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Tuesday July 24, 2001. Presently, the draw of the LA 77 bridge, mile 47.0 (Alternate Route) at Grosse Tete, shall open on signal; except that, from about August 15 to about June 5 (the school year), the draw need not be opened from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. and from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. The draw shall open on signal at any time for an emergency aboard a vessel.

Dated: June 28, 2001.

Roy J. Casto,

RADM, USCG, Commander, 8th CG District.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[CGD09-01-047]

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Safety Zone; Lake Michigan, Chicago, IL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for the Venetian Night Fireworks in Chicago, Illinois. This safety zone is necessary to protect vessels and spectators from potential airborne hazards during a planned fireworks display over Lake Michigan. The safety zone is intended to restrict vessels from a portion of Lake Michigan off Chicago, Illinois.

DATES: This rule is effective from 9 p.m. (local) until 10 p.m. (local), July 28, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments and material received from the public, as well as documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket, are part of docket [CGD09-01-047] and are available for inspection or copying at Marine Safety Office Chicago, 215 W. 83rd Street, Suite D, Burr Ridge, Illinois 60521, between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: MST2 Mike Hogan, U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Office, 215 W. 83rd Street, Suite D, Burr Ridge, IL 60521. The telephone number is (630) 986-2175.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory Information

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing an NPRM, and under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), good cause exists for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. The permit application was not received in time to publish an NPRM followed by a final rule before the necessary effective date. Delaying this rule would be contrary to the public interest of ensuring the safety of spectators and vessels during this event and immediate action is necessary to prevent possible loss of life or property. The Coast Guard has not received any complaints or negative comments with regard to this event.

Background and Purpose

This temporary safety zone is necessary to ensure the safety of vessels and spectators from hazards associated with a fireworks display. Based on recent accidents that have occurred in other Captain of the Port zones, and the explosive hazard of fireworks, the Captain of the Port Chicago has determined firework launches in close proximity to watercraft pose significant