

assessment using the UWR Framework for Action; (b) develop a comprehensive State Action Plan for Coordinating Human Service Transportation; or (c) for those states that have a comprehensive action plan, the grant can be used to implement one or more of the elements identified within the Framework for Action. For those states that have a comprehensive statewide action plan, and will be implementing elements outlined in the Framework for Action, include Page 41 of the Framework for Action Self Assessment Tool and a copy of the State's Action Plan.

3. Describe the level of coordination/ collaboration with any other partners (providers, advocates, private for profit, non-profit organizations, or government).

4. Briefly describe how the state plan will meaningfully involve consumers in the development and implementation of human service transportation grant activities.

5. Submit a narrative of your proposed project and a budget that includes line items.

**Note:** Grant funds may not be used to support capital equipment, the provision of services, or operating cost for services.

6. States that did not participate in the United We Ride Leadership Forum in February (2004) must include a letter of commitment from the Governor's office.

#### Criteria for Rating and Selecting Proposals

1. The extent to which the project's goals, objectives, and measurable outcomes for improving human service transportation are included in a grant implementation plan to (a) Conduct a comprehensive state assessment using the UWR Framework for Action; (b) develop a comprehensive state action plan for Coordinating Human Service Transportation; or (c) implement one or more of the elements identified within the Framework for Action (for those states that have an established Action Plan).

2. The extent to which the proposal is based on the elements identified in the Framework for Action: Building the Fully Coordinated Human Service Transportation System.

**Note:** This criteria only applies to states that have a comprehensive state action plan and are choosing the option "c", which is to implement elements outlined in the Framework for Action.

Those elements include:

a. *Making Things Happen by Leadership and Partnership*, in which the Governor and state officials would serve as catalysts for envisioning, organizing, and sustaining a coordinated

system that provides mobility and access to transportation for all who need it.

b. *Taking Stock of State Needs and Moving Forward*, in which a completed and regularly updated transportation assessment process will identify assets, expenditures, services provided, service gaps, duplication of services, specific mobility needs of the various target populations, and opportunities for improvement.

c. *Putting Customers First*, in which customers and their advocates and local agencies systematically would engage in the assessment, planning, resource allocation, and decision making for coordinating transportation services.

d. *Adapting Funding for Greater Mobility*, in which state agencies will work together to create funding mechanisms that support shared ownership of funding responsibilities while completing reporting and tracking requirements for various funding streams.

e. *Technology Moves Coordination to the Next Level*, in which technology would be used to design and manage coordinated transportation systems in real time with greater efficiency and effectiveness.

3. The extent to which applicants have or propose a plan that will demonstrate a high level of executive leadership and commitment, shared decision making, and policy adoption among agencies within the state. States should address how the plan will foster efforts to build collaboration and involvement with stakeholder organizations, including consumer and advocacy groups. Applicants should submit letters of commitment from partner agencies. Letters of commitment should be submitted in addition to the five-page application.

4. The extent to which the plan's proposal address issues across populations, which include people with disabilities, older adults, and individuals with lower-incomes.

5. The extent to which each applicant submits items requested in the **Proposal Submission** section.

#### Eligibility/Expenses

Grants funds may not be used for capital purchases, provision of services, or operation of services. Grant funds may be used to support personnel for planning, training, coordination, and other administration activities required to enhance coordination among and across agencies within the state. Supplies, small equipment (computers, etc.), and travel are also eligible expenses.

#### Review and Award Process

Interagency panels from DOT/FTA, HHS, DOL, and DoED Regional offices will review each grant application. The Federal Transit Administrator will notify successful applicants. [The anticipated notification of grantee selections is 60 days from the **Federal Register** announcement date.] Regional offices will work with respective Washington based offices and technical assistance staff to assist states with implementation after the selections are announced. Selected recipients have pre-award authority as of the date of the announcement.

#### Grant Periods and Awards

One-year grant period (starting on the date of the grant contract obligation date and ending one year from that date)

Grants will be given to all states that submit proposals and meet the requirements outlined in the guidance. The total amount available for grants will be at least One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) for up to 50 awards. Funding will range from Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) per grant.

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Jennifer L. Dorn,  
Administrator.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD 2004 18498]

#### Information Collection Available for Public Comments and Recommendations

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Maritime Administration's (MARAD's) intention to request extension of approval for three years of a currently approved information collection.

**DATES:** Comments should be submitted on or before September 7, 2004.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mitch Hudson, Maritime Administration, 400 Seventh St., SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: (202) 366-9373; FAX: (202) 366-7485; or E-MAIL: [mitch.hudson@marad.dot.gov](mailto:mitch.hudson@marad.dot.gov). Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title of Collection:* Requirements for Establishing U.S. Citizenship.

*Type of Request:* Extension of currently approved information collection.

*OMB Control Number:* 2133-0012.

*Form Numbers:* None.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* Three years from date of approval by the Office of Management and Budget.

*Summary of Collection of Information:* In accordance with the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, participants in the various programs offered by the Maritime Administration (MARAD) must be citizens of the United States within the meaning of Section 2 of the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended. In addition, the participants in the programs must file annually an affidavit with MARAD attesting to their continuing citizenship.

*Need and Use of the Information:* MARAD will review the Affidavits of U.S. Citizenship to determine if the applicants are eligible to participate in the programs offered by the agency.

*Description of Respondents:* The Affidavits of U.S. Citizenship are filed with MARAD by shipowners, charterers, equity owners, ship managers, etc.

*Annual Responses:* 300 responses.

*Annual Burden:* 1,500 hours.

*Comments:* Comments should refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document. Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590. Comments also may be submitted by electronic means via the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov/submit>. Specifically address whether this information collection is necessary for proper performance of the functions of the agency and will have practical utility, accuracy of the burden estimates, ways to minimize this burden, and ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected. All comments received will be available for examination at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. EDT (or EST), Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. An electronic version of this document is available on the World Wide Web at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

*Privacy Act:* Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume

65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78) or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>. (Authority: 49 CFR 1.66.)

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Dated: July 1, 2004.

**Joel C. Richard,**

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Maritime Administration**

**[Docket Number 2004 18541]**

**Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws**

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel AFTER HOURS.

**SUMMARY:** As authorized by Pub. L. 105-383 and Pub. L. 107-295, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. The complete application is given in DOT docket 2004-18541 at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with Pub. L. 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter's interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before August 6, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should refer to docket number MARAD-2004 18541. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit/>. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Michael Hokana, U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, MAR-830 Room 7201, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone 202-366-0760.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel AFTER HOURS is:

*Intended Use:* Carrying passengers for hire.

*Geographic Region:* Maine to Florida and Florida West Coast.

Dated: June 30, 2004.

By order of the Maritime Administrator.

**Joel C. Richard,**

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Maritime Administration**

**[Docket Number: 2004 18544]**

**Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws**

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Invitation for public comments on a requested administrative waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws for the vessel AMARYLLIS.

**SUMMARY:** As authorized by Pub. L. 105-383 and Pub. L. 107-295, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below. The complete application is given in DOT docket 2004-18544 at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with Pub. L. 105-383 and MARAD's regulations at 46 CFR Part 388 (68 FR 23084; April 30, 2003), that