

domestic O&D city pair offer. This condition shall not apply to joint bids involving only Northwest and Continental and it shall not require that an agreement in place with a corporation or travel agent be terminated.

Before deciding whether the requested alternatives are adequate, we believe that we would benefit by obtaining the views of interested parties and the public. We are therefore inviting public comment on the Alliance Carriers' proposed alternatives. To allow us to complete our review promptly, we are making comments due by March 18. In light of our already-completed comprehensive review of the original proposal, and the limited scope of the additional review necessary to consider the three alternative conditions, we will grant the Alliance Carriers' request for expedited review and will decide whether their proposals are adequate within 30 days. We are now considering only whether the Alliance Carriers' three new proposals adequately address the competitive concerns regarding the three corresponding conditions that were discussed in our January Notice. Accordingly, comments should be directed solely to those three alternative conditions. We are not requesting comments on the analysis and conclusions set forth in our January Notice.

If we determine that the alternative conditions adequately address our concerns, and the Alliance Carriers formally accept them along with the other three conditions developed by us, we would not institute a formal enforcement proceeding at this time to determine whether the airlines' agreements violate section 41712. We retain our statutory authority, however, to continue to monitor the three airlines' implementation of their alliance, and to take enforcement action under section 41712 in the future if necessary. We continue to believe, however, that if the alliance were implemented as originally presented to us, it would raise serious competitive issues. As a result, if the Alliance Carriers implemented the alliance without conditions satisfactory to us, we would begin a formal enforcement proceeding.

Issued in Washington, DC on March 3, 2003.

**Read C. Van de Water,**

*Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Coast Guard

[USCG 2002-13962]

#### Information Collection Under Review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): OMB Control Numbers 2115-0086 and 2116-0551

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT.

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this request for comments announces that the Coast Guard has forwarded the two Information Collection Requests (ICRs) abstracted below to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. Our ICRs describe the information we seek to collect from the public. Review and comment by OIRA ensures that we impose only paperwork burdens commensurate with our performance of duties.

**DATES:** Please submit comments on or before April 7, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** To make sure that your comments and related material do not enter the docket [USCG 2002-13962] more than once, please submit them by only one of the following means:

(1)(a) By mail to the Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. (b) By mail to OIRA, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, to the attention of the Desk Officer for the Coast Guard. Caution: Because of recent delays in the delivery of mail, your comments may reach the Facility more quickly if you choose one of the other means described below.

(2)(a) By delivery to room PL-401 at the address given in paragraph (1)(a) above, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202-366-9329. (b) By delivery to OIRA, at the address given in paragraph (1)(b) above, to the attention of the Desk Officer for the Coast Guard.

(3) By fax to (a) the Facility at 202-493-2251 and (b) OIRA at 202-395-5806, or e-mail to OIRA at [oira\\_docket@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_docket@omb.eop.gov) attention: Desk Officer for the Coast Guard.

(4)(a) Electronically through the Web Site for the Docket Management System at <http://dms.dot.gov>. (b) OIRA does not have a Web site on which you can post your comments.

The Facility maintains the public docket for this notice. Comments and

material received from the public, as well as documents mentioned in this notice as being available in the docket, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at room PL-401 (Plaza level), 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. You may also find this docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Copies of the complete ICRs are available for inspection and copying in public dockets. They are available in docket USCG 2002-13962 of the Docket Management Facility between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays; for inspection and printing on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>; and for inspection from the Commandant (G-CIM-2), U.S. Coast Guard, room 6106, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barbara Davis, Office of Information Management, 202-267-2326, for questions on this document; Dorothy Beard, Chief, Documentary Services Division, U.S. Department of Transportation, 202-366-5149, for questions on the docket.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

##### Regulatory History

This request constitutes the 30-day notice required by OIRA. The Coast Guard has already published (67 FR 72718 (December 6, 2002)) the 60-day notice required by OIRA. That notice elicited no comments.

##### Request for Comments

The Coast Guard invites comments on the proposed collections of information to determine whether the collections are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department. In particular, the Coast Guard would appreciate comments addressing: (1) The practical utility of the collections; (2) the accuracy of the Department's estimated burden of the collections; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information that is the subject of the collections; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments, to DMS or OIRA, must contain the OMB Control Number of the ICR addressed. Comments to DMS must contain the docket number of this request, USCG 2002-13962. Comments to OIRA are best assured of having their full effect if OIRA receives them 30 or