

submission of offers by parties interested in applying for a NPS concession contract. Specific requirements regarding the information that must be submitted by offerors in response to a prospectus issued by NPS are contained in sections 403(4), (5), (7), and (8) of the Act.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Description of Respondents: Persons or entities seeking a National Park Service concession contract.

Total Annual Responses: 240.

Estimate of Burden: Approximately 56 hours per response.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 76,800.

Total Non-hour Cost Burden: \$1,120,000.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record. Copies of the information collection can be obtained from Cynthia L. Orlando, Concession Program Manager, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW., (2410), Washington, DC 20240.

Dated: April 15, 2003.

Richard G. Ring,

Associate Director, Administration, Business Practices and Workforce Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Extension for Expiring Concession Contracts

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Public notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the terms of existing concession permits, with the exception of construction on National Park Service lands, public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service intends to provide visitor services under the authority of a temporary concession contract with a term of up to two years from the date of permit expirations.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The permits listed below, for charter and tour vessels at Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, expired on December 31, 2003 and have been extended to the maximum allowable under 36 CFR 51.23. Under the provisions of current concessions permits, with one exception, and pending the development and public solicitation of a prospectus for a new concession contract, the National Park Service

authorizes continuation of visitor services under a temporary concession contract for a period of up to two years from the expiration of the current concession permit. The exception precludes construction on National Park Service lands, regardless of whether the current permit authorizes such activity. The temporary contract does not affect my rights with respect to selection for award of a new concession contract. These temporary contracts will allow the National Park Service to complete a Congressionally mandated Environmental Impact Statement related to vessel management at Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, followed by issuing prospectuses leading to the competitive selection of concessioners for new long-term concession contracts covering these operations. The EIS is scheduled for completion in December 2003. Prospectuses for charter and tour vessel operators are scheduled to be released in the Spring of 2004, authorizing charter vessel operations in 2005 and tour vessel operations in 2006.

Con ID No.	Concessioner name
Charter Vessels	
CP-GLBA015-98	Chicago of Charters.
CP-GLBA016-98	Grand Pacific Charters.
CP-GLBA018-98	Glacier Guides, Inc.
CP-GLBA019-98	Marine Adventure Sailing Tours.
CP-GLBA025-98	Princeton Hall, Ltd.
CP-GLBA026-98	Lisianski Charters.
CP-GLBA027-98	Gustavus Marine Charters, Inc.
CP-GLBA028-98	Elfin Cove Sportfishing Lodge.
CP-GLBA030-98	Dolphin Charters.
CP-GLBA031-98	Glacier Bay Country Inn.
CP-GLBA032-98	Sea Wolf Adventures.
Tour Vessels	
CP-GLBA037-98	New World Ship Management Co.
CP-GLBA038-98	Lindbald Expeditions, Inc.
CP-GLBA039-98	Cruise West.
CP-GLBA041-98	Glacier Bay Park Concessions, Inc.
CP-GLBA044-98	Glacier Bay Adventures.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 30, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cynthia Orlando, Concession Program Manager, National Park Service, Washington, DC, 20240, Telephone 202/513-7156.

Dated: May 6, 2003.

Richard G. Ring,

Associate Director, Administration, Business Practices and Workforce Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Extension for Expiring Concession Contracts

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Public notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 36 CFR 51.23, public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service proposes to extend the following expiring concession permits, all at Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, for a period of up to one year, or until such time as new contracts are executed, whichever occurs sooner.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: All of the listed concession permits, which authorize cruise ship entries into Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, will expire by their terms on December 31, 2004. The National Park Service has determined that the proposed short-term extensions are necessary in order to avoid interruption of visitor services and has taken all reasonable and appropriate steps to consider alternatives to avoid such interruption. These extensions will allow the National Park Service to complete a Congressionally mandated Environmental Impact Statement related to vessel management at Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, followed by issuing prospectuses leading to the competitive selection of concessioners for new long-term concession contracts covering these operations. The EIS is scheduled for completion in December 2003. A prospectus is scheduled to be released in the Spring of 2004, allowing for contract award 16 months in advance of when the ships would enter the park.

Conc ID No.	Concessioner name
CP-GLBA002-00	Holland America Line Inc.
CP-GLBA003-00	Princess Cruises, Inc.
CP-GLBA004-00	Princess Cruises, Inc.
CP-GLBA005-00	Holland America Line Inc.
CP-GLBA006-00	World Explorer Cruises.
CP-GLBA007-00	NCL Cruise Line Ltd.
CP-GLBA036-00	Crystal Cruises, Inc.
CP-GLBA040-00	Cruise West.
CP-GLBA046-00	Celebrity Cruises, Inc.
CP-GLBA050-00	Carnival Cruise Line.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 30, 2003.

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