

which guides the Coast Guard in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321–4370f), and have concluded that there are no factors in this case that would limit the use of a categorical exclusion under section 2.B.2 of the Instruction. Therefore, this rule is categorically excluded, under figure 2–1, paragraph (32)(e), of the Instruction, from further environmental documentation. Promulgation of changes to drawbridge regulations have been found to not have significant effect on the human environment. A final “Environmental Analysis Check List” and a final “Categorical Exclusion Determination” are available in the docket where indicated under ADDRESSES.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 117

Bridges.

■ For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR Part 117 as follows:

PART 117—DRAWBRIDGE OPERATION REGULATIONS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 117 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. Sec. 499; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1; 33 CFR 1.05–1(g); Section 117.255 also issued under the authority of Pub. L. 102–587, 106 Stat. 5039.

■ 2. In § 117.667, paragraph (a) and paragraph (b), introductory text, are revised and a new paragraph (b)(3) is added to read as follows:

§ 117.667 St. Croix River.

(a) The draws of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad Bridge, Mile 0.2, the Prescott Highway Bridge, Mile 0.3, and the Hudson Railroad Bridge, Mile 17.3, shall operate as follows:

(1) From April 1 to October 31:

(i) 8 a.m. to midnight, the draws shall open on signal;

(ii) Midnight to 8 a.m., the draws shall open on signal if notification is made prior to 11 p.m.,

(2) From November 1 through March 31, the draw shall open on signal if at least 24 hours notice is given.

(b) The draw of the Stillwater Highway Bridge, Mile 23.4, shall open on signal as follows:

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(3) From October 16 through May 14, if at least 24 hours notice is given.

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Dated: December 12, 2003.

R.F. Duncan,

Commander, 8th CG District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

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Regulated Navigation Area; Reporting Requirements for Barges Loaded With Certain Dangerous Cargoes, Illinois Waterway System Within the Ninth Coast Guard District

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Interim final rule; notice of approval of revised collection of information.

SUMMARY: On October 3, 2003, the Coast Guard published an interim final rule in the **Federal Register** that established a regulated navigation area (RNA) within all portions of the Illinois Waterway System located in the Ninth Coast Guard District and contained reporting requirements for barges loaded with certain dangerous cargoes. This document provides notice that the Office of Management and Budget has approved the revised collection of information contained in that interim rule.

DATES: OMB approved revised collection of information 1625–1505 on November 3, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information regarding this document, or if you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, write or call Commander (CDR) Michael Gardiner or Lieutenant (LT) Matthew Colmer, Project Managers for the Ninth Coast Guard District Commander, 1240 East Ninth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44199–2060, telephone (216) 902–6059.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 6, 2003, the Coast Guard published an interim final rule entitled “Regulated Navigation Area; Reporting Requirements for Barges Loaded with Certain Dangerous Cargoes, Illinois Waterway System Within the Ninth Coast Guard District” in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 57616). In the preamble of that interim rule, we stated that we would publish a separate notice when and if the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the revised collection of information (1625–1505) contained in the rule (68 FR 57621). On November 3, 2003, OMB announced that they had approved this revised collection of information.

Dated: December 15, 2003.

Ronald F. Silva,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

37 CFR Parts 2 and 7

[Docket No. 2003–T–030]

RIN 0651–AB45

Modification to Temporary Postponement of Electronic Filing and Payment Rules for Certain Madrid Protocol-related Rules

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Final rule; modification to suspension of applicability dates.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is extending, until November 2, 2004, a temporary postponement of those provisions of the Trademark Rules of Practice that require electronic transmission to the USPTO of applications for international registration, responses to irregularity notices, and subsequent designations submitted pursuant to the Madrid Protocol. The postponement was announced most recently in a document published in the **Federal Register** on November 7, 2003.

The USPTO is also extending a temporary suspension, announced in the same **Federal Register** document, of those provisions of the Rules of Practice that allow payment of fees charged by the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (IB) to be submitted through the USPTO, and those provisions of the Trademark Rules of Practice that require that all fees for international trademark applications and subsequent designations be paid at the time of filing.

The extensions and postponements announced herein are procedural in nature and do not affect any substantive rights.

APPLICABILITY DATES: January 2, 2004, until November 2, 2004. The applicability dates for certain rules in 37 CFR parts 2 and 7, published September 26, 2003, and thereafter suspended until January 4, 2004, are hereby further suspended until November 2, 2004.

DATES: The applicability date for regulations at 37 CFR 2.190(a),