

protection of investors or in the public interest. Furthermore, the Commission reserves the right to suspend or revoke this exemption or to censure or impose limitations upon the activities, functions, and operations of CCOS if the Commission finds that CCOS has violated or is unable to comply with any of the provisions set forth in this Order or in its own rules or that CCOS has failed without reasonable justification to enforce compliance with any provision of its own rules by one of its participants.

#### IV. Conclusion

The Commission finds that CCOS's application for exemption from registration as a clearing agency meets the standards and requirements deemed appropriate for such an exemption including those standards set forth under Section 17A of the Act.

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(a)(1) of the Act, that the application for exemption from registration as a clearing agency filed by the Clearing Corporation for Options and Securities (File No. 600-27) be, and hereby is, approved subject to the conditions listed in this Order.

By the Commission.

Margaret H. McFarland,  
*Deputy Secretary.*

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### SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

#### Data 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 Small Business Administration's intentions to request approval on a new, and/or currently approved information collection.

**DATES:** Comments should be submitted on or before February 16, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jacqueline White, Management Analyst, Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, S. W., Suite 5000, Washington, D. C. 20416. Phone Number: 202-205-6629. Copies of these collections can also be obtained.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Title: Office of Women's Business Ownership Year End Follow Up Survey  
Type of Request: New Information Collection

Description of Respondents: Women-owned businesses  
Annual Responses: 2,750  
Annual Burden: 825

**Comments:** Send all comments regarding this information collection to Harriet Fredman, Small Business Administration, Women's Business Ownership, 409 3rd Street, S. W., Suite 6200, Washington, D. C. 20416. Phone No. 202-205-6673. Send comments regarding whether this information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, accuracy of burden estimate, in addition to ways to minimize this estimate, and ways to enhance the quality.

Dated: December 13, 1995.

Jacqueline White,  
*Acting Chief, Administrative Information Branch.*

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#### Data 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 Small Business Administration's intentions to request approval on a new, and/or currently approved information collection.

**DATES:** Comments should be submitted on or before February 16, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jacqueline White, Management Analyst, Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 5000, Washington, DC 20416. Phone Number: 202-205-6629. Copies of these collections can also be obtained.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Prime Contracts Program Quarterly Report.

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

*Description of Respondents:* Procurement Center Representatives.

*Annual Responses:* 1,340.

*Annual Burden:* 670.

**Comments:** Send all comments regarding this information collection to Susan Monge, Small Business Administration, Office of Government Contracting, 409 3rd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20416. Phone No.: 202-205-6471.

Send comments regarding whether this information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the

function of the agency, accuracy of burden estimate, in addition to ways to minimize this estimate, and ways to enhance the quality.

Jacqueline White,

*Acting Chief, Administrative Information Branch.*

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### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### Coast Guard

[CGD 95-084]

#### Review of Icebreaking Program for the East Coast of the United States

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT.

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is reviewing its domestic icebreaking mission along the east coast of the United States from Maine to Virginia. Consistent with the President's effort to reinvest government, this review is necessary to assess the effectiveness of the present program, the impacts resulting from changes in the Coast Guard's icebreaking fleet, and the needs of the future. The Coast Guard is requesting comments and data to assist in this review.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before February 16, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be mailed to the Chief, Ice Operations Division, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street S.W., Washington, DC 20593-0001, or may be delivered to room 1202A at the above address between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (202) 267-1450.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** LCDR Robert Garrett, Icebreaker Facilities Branch, Ice Operations Division, Office of Navigation Safety and Waterway Services between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Telephone (202) 267-1460, telefax (202) 267-4425.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Request for Comments

The Coast Guard encourages interested persons to participate in this review by submitting written views and data on icebreaking operations on the east coast of the United States. Persons submitting comments should include their names and addresses, identify this docket (CGD 95-084), identify the aspect of icebreaking operations on

which comments are submitted, and state the expected impacts on current icebreaking operations and the reasons for those impacts. Persons wanting acknowledgment of receipt of comments should enclose stamped, self-addressed postcards or envelopes.

#### Background

Under Executive Order No. 7521 of December 21, 1936, the Coast Guard has assisted as practicable in keeping the channels and harbors along the northeast and mid-Atlantic coast of the United States open to shipping during the winter and in preventing flooding from ice jams. In doing so, the Coast Guard has attempted to meet the reasonable demands of commerce and to support other agencies in their icebreaking efforts.

To accomplish this mission, the Coast Guard maintains a fleet of icebreaking tugs, ice-capable buoy tenders, and ice-reinforced boats. This fleet has undergone substantial changes since the 1960's. Replacement cutters and boats generally have been larger and more capable of meeting the changing requirements of their primary mission areas. However, they are fewer in number and may not have all of the icebreaking capabilities of the vessels they replaced. For example, the physical size of the larger cutters and boats may restrict their ability to operate in the upper reaches of rivers where ice jams typically form.

On occasion, private interests have operated or hired commercial tugs for icebreaking services. [Coast Guard policy prohibits if from competing with commercial icebreaking concerns.] However, commercial concerns apparently have not been able to meet worst-year ice conditions.

#### The Review

Consistent with the President's effort to reinvent government, the Coast Guard is now reviewing its East Coast icebreaking program to assess its effectiveness, to identify the impacts resulting from changes in the Coast Guard's icebreaking fleet, and to determine the program's needs for the future. The Coast Guard is particularly interested in receiving comments and data on the following subjects:

1. The Coast Guard's present ability to satisfy the reasonable demands of commerce for icebreaking along the East Coast.
2. The continuing need for the Coast Guard to maintain icebreaking capabilities along the East Coast.
3. The impact and alternatives available should the Coast Guard no

longer provide icebreaking services along the East Coast.

4. Private industry's ability to provide icebreaking services.

5. The need, if any, to replace the Coast Guard's 65 foot icebreaking tugs and the capabilities required of the replacement vessels to minimize costs while maintaining necessary support.

This list of subjects is not intended to suggest that the Coast Guard's role or level of service should or will change. It is intended to assist the Coast Guard in evaluating the costs and benefits of its present icebreaking program and its needs for the future.

Dated: December 12, 1995.

J. A. Creech,

*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Acting Chief, Office of Navigation Safety and Waterway Services.*

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### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

#### Announcing the Thirteenth Meeting of the Motor Vehicle Safety Research Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Meeting announcement.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the thirteenth meeting of the Motor Vehicle Safety Research Advisory Committee (MVSRAAC). The Committee was established in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act to obtain independent advice on motor vehicle safety research. Discussions at this meeting will include NHTSA's research programs, including critical injury control issues facing the agency.

**DATE AND TIME:** The meeting is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m., on Wednesday, January 17, 1996, and conclude at 1:00 p.m., on Thursday, January 18, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in Rooms 6244-48 of the U.S. Department of Transportation Building, which is located at 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In May 1987, the Motor Vehicle Safety Research Advisory Committee was established. The purpose of the Committee is to provide an independent source of ideas for motor vehicle safety research. The MVSRAAC will provide information, advice and recommendations to NHTSA on matters relating to motor vehicle safety research, and provide a forum for

the development, consideration and communication of motor vehicle safety research, as set forth in the MVSRAAC Charter.

The meeting is open to the public, but attendance may be limited due to space availability. Participation by the public will be determined by the Committee Chairperson.

A public reference file (Number 88-01) has been established to contain the products of the Committee and will be open to the public during the hours of 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Technical Reference Division in Room 5108 at 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590, telephone: (202) 366-2768.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Barbara Coleman, Office of Research and Development, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 6206, Washington, DC 20590, telephone: (202) 366-1537.

Issued on: December 13, 1995.

William A. Boehly,

*Chairperson, Motor Vehicle Safety Research Advisory Committee.*

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### Research and Development Programs Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting cancellation.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the cancellation of a public meeting at which NHTSA was scheduled to describe and discuss specific research and development projects. Further, the notice requests comments regarding a proposed schedule change from quarterly meetings to biannual meetings.

**BACKGROUND:** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration holds quarterly public meetings devoted primarily to detailed presentations of specific research and development projects. Three meetings each year are held in Detroit, Michigan, and a fourth meeting is held in Washington, DC, in conjunction with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's quarterly meetings on safety performance standards and safety assurance programs.

**MEETING CANCELLATION:** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's public meeting devoted primarily to presentations of specific research and development projects as announced in the Federal Register (Vol. 60, No. 212, page 55752) for December 19, 1995, has