Notice of Availability and Request for Comments on Voluntary Use of TWIC Readers Published

The U.S. Coast Guard announced today the publication in the Federal Register of a notice of availability and request for comments on a policy guidance document on the voluntary use of Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) readers.

Policy Advisory Council (PAC) Decision 01-11 provides guidance for Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA) regulated vessel and facility owners/operators for purchasing and installing TWIC readers and systems. The PAC Decision further discusses how TWIC readers can be used as an equivalency in meeting the requirements for effective (1) identity verification, (2) card validity, and (3) card authentication.

The notice and related materials may be reviewed online at http://www.regulations.gov, under docket number USCG-2011-0129.

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