Notice of Request Published for Comments and Information on Mechamisms used to Comply with Citizenship Requirements

The U.S. Coast Guard today announced publication of a notice and request for comments and information on the various mechanisms publicly traded companies have chosen to employ in order to assure compliance with citizenship requirements.

Under existing statutes, at least 75% of the ownership of vessels eligible to engage in the coastwise or fisheries trades must be vested in United States citizens. Although the Coast Guard may use information obtained in response to this notice to inform future rulemakings, we are not presently developing a new or revised regulation on this subject.

The citizenship requirements notice and related materials may be reviewed online at http://www.regulations.gov, docket number: USCG-2011-0619.

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