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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

Agency Information Collection Activity under OMB Review; Reports, Forms and

Recordkeeping Requirements

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT

ACTION: Notice and request for comments

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on October 22, 2012, and comments were due on December 21, 2012. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before (Federal Register insert 30 days from date of publication).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa Simmons, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590. Telephone: 202-366-2321; FAX: 202-366-7901 or e-mail: lisa.simmons@dot.gov. Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration (MARAD).

Title of Collection: Application for Capital Construction Fund and Exhibits.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0027.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

<u>Affected Public</u>: U.S. citizens who own or lease one or more eligible vessels and who have a program to provide for the acquisition, construction or reconstruction of a qualified vessel.

Form Number: None.

Abstract: This information collection consists of an application for a Capital Construction Fund (CCF) agreement under 46 U.S.C. Chapter 535 and annual submissions of appropriate schedules and exhibits. The Capital Construction Fund is a tax-deferred ship construction fund that was created to assist owners and operators of U.S.-flag vessels in accumulating the large amount of capital necessary for the modernization and expansion of the U.S. merchant marine. The program encourages construction, reconstruction, or acquisition of vessels through the deferment of Federal income taxes on certain deposits of money or other property placed into a CCF.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 1790 hours.

Addresses: Send comments regarding this collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503, Attention: MARAD Desk Officer. Alternatively comments may be sent via e-mail to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, at the following address: oira.submissions@omb.eop.gov.

<u>Comments Are Invited On</u>: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use

of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. AUTHORITY: 49 CFR 1.93.

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