



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2020-0048]

National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee and its Subcommittee are meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana to discuss Committee matters relating to the safety of operations and other matters affecting the offshore oil and gas industry. All meetings will be open to the public.

DATES: *Meetings:* The National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee and its Subcommittee will meet on Tuesday, March 24, 2020 and on Wednesday, March 25, 2020. The Lifeboats and Rescue Craft Safety on the Outer Continental Shelf Subcommittee will meet on Tuesday, March 24, 2020 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The full Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 25, 2020 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (All times are Central Time). Please note that these meetings may close early if the Committee has completed its business.

Comments and supporting documentation: To ensure your comments are received by Committee members before the meetings, submit your written comments no later than March 17, 2020.

ADDRESSES: All meetings will be held at the Omni Riverfront Hotel, 701 Convention Center Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130. Hotel information may be found at <https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/new-orleans-riverfront> or by calling the hotel at (504) 524-8200.

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact the individuals listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section as soon as possible.

Instructions: You are free to submit comments at any time, including orally at the meetings, but if you want Committee members to review your comment before the meetings, please submit your comments no later than March 17, 2020. We are particularly interested in the comments in the “Agenda” section below. You must include “Department of Homeland Security” and docket number USCG-2020-0048. Written comments may also be submitted using the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. If you encounter technical difficulties with comments submission, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below. Comments received will be posted without alteration at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. For more information about the privacy and docket, review the Privacy and Security Notice for the Federal Docket Management System at <https://www.regulations.gov/privacyNotice>

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Commander Myles Greenway, Designated Federal Officer of the National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee, Commandant (CG-OES-2), U.S. Coast Guard, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE Stop 7509, Washington, DC 20593-7509; telephone (202) 372-1410, fax (202) 372-8382 or email: Myles.J.Greenway@uscg.mil , or Mr. Patrick Clark, telephone (202) 372-1358, fax (202) 372-8382 or email patrick.w.clark@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is in compliance with the *Federal Advisory Committee Act*, (Title 5 U.S.C. Appendix). The National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee provides advice and recommendations to the Department of Homeland Security on matters relating to activities directly involved with or in support of the exploration of offshore mineral and energy resources insofar as they relate to matters within Coast Guard jurisdiction.

Agenda

Day 1

The National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee's Lifeboats and Rescue Craft Safety on the Outer Continental Shelf Subcommittee will meet on March 24, 2020 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Central Time) to review, discuss and formulate recommendations to be presented to the full Committee during the March 25, 2020 public meeting.

Day 2

The National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee will hold a public meeting on March 25, 2020 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Central Time) to review and discuss the progress of, and any reports and recommendations received from the above listed subcommittee from their deliberations. The Committee will then use this information and consider

public comments in discussing and formulating recommendations to the United States Coast Guard. Public comments or questions will be taken at the discretion of the Designated Federal Officer during the discussion and recommendation portions of the meeting and during the public comment period, see Agenda item (5). A complete agenda for the March 25, 2020 full Committee meeting is as follows:

(1) Welcoming remarks.

(2) General administration and acceptance of minutes from the September 11, 2019 National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee public meeting.

(3) Current business - Presentation and discussion of progress from the Lifeboats and Rescue Craft Safety on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Subcommittee.

(4) New Business –

(a) Discussion on Source Control Response Centers in an Incident Command.

(b) Discussion on Coast Guard initiatives relating to the Offshore Oil and Gas industries.

(c) Presentation on the status of the Shell Auger lifeboat accident investigation.

(d) Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement – Agency updates on OCS related issues.

(e) Maritime Administration – Agency Updates on OCS related issues.

(f) International Association of Drilling Contractors – Industry Brief

(5) Public comment period.

A copy of all pre-meeting documentation will be available at <https://homeport.uscg.mil/missions/ports-and-waterways/safety-advisory-committees/nosac/meetings> no later than March 17, 2020. Alternatively, you may contact Commander Myles Greenway or Mr. Patrick Clark as noted in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section above.

Public comments or questions will be taken throughout the meeting as the Committee discusses the issues and prior to deliberations and voting. There will also be a public comment period at the end of the meeting. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to 3 minutes. Please note that the public comment period may end before the period allotted, following the last call for comments. Contact the individuals listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section above to register as a speaker.

Dated: January 31, 2020

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