DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD–2016 0107]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel QUIET CHAOS; Invitation for Public Comments

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As authorized by 46 U.S.C. 12121, the Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirement of the coastwise laws under certain circumstances. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below.

DATES: Submit comments on or before November 28, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to docket number MARAD–2016–0107. Written comments may be submitted by hand or by mail to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. You may also send comments electronically via the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov. All comments will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection and copying at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., E.T., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An electronic version of this document and all documents entered into this docket is available on the World Wide Web at http://www.regulations.gov.


SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel QUIET CHAOS is: Intended Commercial Use of Vessel: Primarily overnight charter sightseeing and sport fishing trips. Occasional day trips.

Geographic Region: “Oregon, Washington State, California, and Alaska (excluding those waters in Southeast Alaska that are north of a line between Gore Point and Cape Suckling, including the North Gulf Coast and Prince William Sound).”

The complete application is given in DOT docket MARAD–2016–0107 at http://www.regulations.gov. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD’s regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the docket number of this notice and the vessel name in order for MARAD to properly consider the comments. Comments should also state the commenter’s interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in § 388.4 of MARAD’s regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

Privacy Act

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov. Federal agencies are required to respond to comments they received on or before May 30, 2016.

PROPOSED ACTION: The Maritime Administration invites public comments on the request for waiver.

DATE: The exemption granted by this notice is effective beginning with 2017 model year (MY).


SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: In a petition dated June 1, 2016, FCA requested an exemption from the parts-marking requirements of the Theft Prevention Standard for its “MP” MPV line beginning with MY 2017. The petition requested an exemption from parts-marking pursuant to 49 CFR part 543, Exemption from Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard, based on the installation of an anti-theft device as standard equipment for the entire vehicle line. Under 49 CFR part 543.5(a), a manufacturer may petition NHTSA to grant an exemption for one vehicle line per model year. In its petition, FCA provided a detailed description and diagram of the identity, design, and location of the components of the anti-theft device for its “MP” MPV line. FCA stated that its MY 2017 “MP” MPV line will be installed with the Sentry Key Immobilizer System (SKIS)/ MiniCrypt anti-theft device as standard equipment on the entire vehicle line. The SKIS will provide passive vehicle protection by preventing the engine from operating unless a valid electronically encoded key is detected in the ignition system of the vehicle. Key components of the anti-theft device will include an immobilizer, Radio Frequency Hub Module (RFHM), Engine Control Module (ECM), Body Controller

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Petition for Exemption From the Federal Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard; Fiat Chrysler Automobiles US LLC

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Grant of petition for exemption.

SUMMARY: This document grants in full the Fiat Chrysler Automobiles US LLC, (FCA) petition for exemption of the “MP” MPV line in accordance with 49 CFR part 543, Exemption from Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard. This petition is granted because the agency has determined that the anti-theft device to be placed on the line as standard equipment is likely to be as effective in reducing and deterring motor vehicle theft as compliance with the parts-marking requirements of 49 CFR part 541, Federal Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard. (Theft Prevention Standard). FCA also requested confidential treatment for specific information in its petition. While official notification granting or denying its request for confidential treatment will be addressed by separate letter, no confidential information provided for purposes of this notice has been disclosed.

DATES: The exemption granted by this notice is effective beginning with 2017 model year (MY).