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### **Coast Guard Seeks Members For Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety Advisory Committee**

WASHINGTON - Today the Coast Guard issued a Federal Register notice soliciting for applications for membership on the Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety Advisory Committee. The Committee advises the Coast Guard on matters related to the safety of commercial fishing industry vessels, which includes uninspected fishing vessels, fish processing vessels, and fish tender vessels.

The Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety Advisory Committee meets at least once a year. Its subcommittees may gather throughout the year to prepare for meetings or develop proposals for the committee as a whole to address specific problems.

The Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety Advisory Committee consists of 17 members as follows: (a) ten members from the commercial fishing industry who reflect a regional and representational balance; (b) one member representing naval architects or marine surveyors; (c) one member representing manufacturers of vessel equipment; (d) one member representing education or training professionals; (e) one member representing marine insurance underwriters; and (f) three members representing the general public including, whenever possible, an independent expert or consultant in maritime safety and a member of a national organization composed of persons representing owners of vessels.

The Coast Guard will consider applications for six positions that expire or become vacant in October 2008 in the following categories: Commercial Fishing Industry (four positions); Equipment Manufacturer (one position); and General Public (one position).

In support of the policy of the Coast Guard on gender and ethnic diversity, qualified women and minorities are encouraged to apply for membership.

The Federal Register notice and membership applications may be obtained by visiting the Coast Guard's fishing vessel safety website at <http://www.fishsafe.info/> . Applications for membership should reach the Coast Guard at the following address on or before June 1, 2008, Commandant (CG-5433), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20593-0001.

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