



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2023-0292]

National Chemical Transportation Safety Advisory Committee; June 2023 Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of Federal advisory committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Chemical Transportation Safety Advisory Committee (Committee) will conduct a series of meetings over 2 days in Washington D.C., to discuss matters relating to the safe and secure marine transportation of hazardous materials. The subcommittee meetings will also be available by videoconference for those unable to attend in person, however the full committee meeting will be held in person only. All meetings will be open to the public.

DATES:

Meetings: National Chemical Transportation Safety Advisory Committee subcommittees will meet on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) each day. The full Committee will meet on Thursday, June 15, 2023, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. EDT. Please note these meetings may close early if the Committee has completed its business.

Comments and supporting documents: To ensure your comments are reviewed by Committee members before the meeting, submit your written comments no later than May 31, 2023.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the American Bureau of Shipping Group, 80 M Street Southeast, Suite 480, Washington, DC 20003.

Pre-registration Information: Pre-registration is required for in-person access to the meeting or to attend the subcommittee meetings by videoconference. Public attendees will

be required to pre-register no later than noon EDT on May 31, 2023, to be admitted to the meeting. In-person attendance may be capped due to limited space in the meeting venue, and registration will be on a first-come-first-served basis. To pre-register, contact Lieutenant Ethan Beard at Ethan.T.Beard@uscg.mil. You will be asked to provide your name, telephone number, email, company, or group with which you are affiliated, and whether you wish to attend virtually or in person; if a foreign national, also provide your country of citizenship, passport country, country of residence, place of birth, passport number, and passport expiration date.

The National Chemical Transportation Safety Advisory Committee is committed to ensuring all participants have equal access regardless of disability status. If you require reasonable accommodation due to a disability to fully participate, please email Lieutenant Ethan Beard at Ethan.T.Beard@uscg.mil or call at 202-372-1419 as soon as possible.

Instructions: You are free to submit comments at any time, including orally at the meeting as time permits, but if you want Committee members to review your comment before the meeting, please submit your comments no later than May 31, 2023. We are particularly interested in comments on the topics in the “Agenda” section below. We encourage you to submit comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <https://www.regulations.gov>. If your material cannot be submitted using <https://www.regulations.gov>, email the individual in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document for alternate instructions. You must include the docket number [USCG-2023-0292]. Comments received will be posted without alteration at <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. You may wish to review the Privacy and Security Notice found via a link on the homepage of <https://www.regulations.gov>. For more about the privacy and submissions in response to this document, see DHS’s eRulemaking System of Records

notice (85 FR 14226, March 11, 2020). If you encounter technical difficulties with comment submission, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice.

Docket Search: Documents mentioned in this notice as being available in the docket, and all public comments, will be in our online docket at <https://www.regulations.gov> and can be viewed by following that website's instructions. Additionally, if you go to the online docket and sign-up for email alerts, you will be notified when comments are posted.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lieutenant Ethan T. Beard, Alternate Designated Federal Officer of the National Chemical Transportation Safety Advisory Committee, telephone 202-372-1419, or email Ethan.T.Beard@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of the meeting of the National Chemical Transportation Safety Advisory Committee is in compliance with the *Federal Advisory Committee Act*, (Pub. L. 117-286, 5 U.S.C., ch. 10). The Committee is authorized by section 601 of the *Frank LoBiondo Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2018* (Pub. L. 115-282, 132 Stat. 4190) and is codified in 46 U.S.C. 15101. The Committee operates under the provisions of the *Federal Advisory Committee Act* and 46 U.S.C. 15109. The Committee provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Homeland Security on matters related to the safe and secure marine transportation of hazardous materials.

Agenda

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Four subcommittees will meet concurrently to discuss the following task statements:

(1) Task Statement 22-01: Recommendations to Support Reductions to Emissions and Environmental Impacts Associated with Marine Transport of Chemicals, Liquefied Gases and Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG).

(2) Task Statement 22-02: Recommendations on Industry Best Practices and

Regulatory Updates Related to the Maritime Transportation of Lithium Batteries.

(3) Task Statement 22-03: Recommendations on Testing Requirements for Anti-Flashback Burners for Vapor Control Systems.

(4) Task Statement 21-01 Recommendations on Loading Limits of Gas Carriers and U.S. Coast Guard Supplement to International Hazardous Zone Requirements.

The task statements and other subcommittee information are located at Homeport at the following address: [https://homeport.uscg.mil/missions/federal-advisory-committees/national-chemical-transportation-safety-advisory-committee-\(nctsac\)/task-statements](https://homeport.uscg.mil/missions/federal-advisory-committees/national-chemical-transportation-safety-advisory-committee-(nctsac)/task-statements). The agenda for the discussion of each task statement will include the following:

- (1) Introduction and review subcommittee task statement.
- (2) Public comment period.
- (3) Subcommittee discussion and preparation of any proposed recommendations for the Committee meeting on June 15, 2023.
- (4) Adjournment of meeting.

Thursday, June 15, 2023

The agenda for the National Chemical Transportation Safety Advisory Committee meeting on Thursday, June 15, 2023 is as follows:

- (1) Call to order.
- (2) Roll call and determination of quorum.
- (3) Remarks from U.S. Coast Guard leadership.
- (4) Chairman and Designated Federal Officer's remarks.
- (5) Acceptance of November 3, 2022 Committee meeting minutes and status of task items.
- (6) Committee will review, discuss, and formulate recommendations on the following items:

- a. Task Statement 21-01: Recommendations on Loading Limits of Gas Carriers and U.S. Coast Guard Supplement to International Hazardous Zone Requirements
- b. Task Statement 22-01: Recommendations to Support Reductions to Emissions and Environmental Impacts Associated with Marine Transport of Chemicals, Liquefied Gases and Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)
- c. Task Statement 22-02: Recommendations on Industry Best Practices and Regulatory Updates Related to the Maritime Transportation of Lithium Batteries
- d. Task Statement 22-03: Recommendations on Testing Requirements for Anti-Flashback Burners for Vapor Control Systems

- (7) Subcommittee recommendation discussion.
- (8) Committee outreach improvement discussion.
- (9) Task statement tracking discussion.
- (10) Open Committee member discussion.
- (11) Public comment period.
- (12) Set next meeting date and location.
- (13) Adjournment of meeting.

A copy of all meeting documentation will be available at:

[https://homeport.uscg.mil/missions/federal-advisory-committees/national-chemical-transportation-safety-advisory-committee-\(nctsac\)/committee-meetings](https://homeport.uscg.mil/missions/federal-advisory-committees/national-chemical-transportation-safety-advisory-committee-(nctsac)/committee-meetings) no later than June 7, 2023. Alternatively, you may contact Lieutenant Ethan Beard as noted in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section above.

Public comments or questions will be taken throughout the meetings as the Committee discusses the issues and prior to deliberations and voting. There will be a

final public comment period at the end of meetings. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to two minutes. Contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section above, to register as a speaker.

Dated: May 9, 2023.

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