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Public Meeting on Facility Security Officer Training and Certification

The U.S. Coast Guard announced today that it will hold a public meeting from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM on November 9th, 2012, at the Department of Transportation Headquarters, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC, 20590 in the Oklahoma Room. The Coast Guard is seeking comment from the public on the establishment of interim national standards for the training and certification of Facility Security Officers (FSO). Section 821 of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010 requires the Coast Guard, in collaboration with the Maritime Administration and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, to establish comprehensive FSO training requirements designed to provide full security training that would lead to the certification of FSOs.

The Coast Guard wants to hear from all interested parties on how to better develop these training standards to ensure the security of our nation's ports. This public meeting is an opportunity to continue forging a partnership between federal, state, and local governments, and industry stakeholders with vested interest.

The public, commercial interests, local, state, and federal agencies, non-governmental organizations and all other interested parties are invited to attend. Interested parties should fill out the RSVP form using the following link https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/anim.cfm?i=123867&k=036341017D50 by Friday, November 2, 2012. Due to venue capacity restrictions, participation to this event will be limited. Further details regarding this public meeting have been published in the Federal Register, docket number USCG-2012-0908.

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