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paragraph (a)(5) of this section, the instrument will be returned to either:

- (1) The applicant for documentation, if a bill of sale, instrument in the nature of a bill of sale, or a deed of gift;
- (2) The mortgagee or assignee, if a mortgage or assignment or amendment thereof:
- (3) The claimant, if a notice of claim of lien:
- (4) The lender first named in an interlender agreement affecting a mortgage, preferred mortgage, or related instrument; or
- (5) An agent for any appropriate party, provided that the agent has filed with the Coast Guard a writing bearing the original signature of the appropriate party(ies) clearly identifying the instrument(s) being returned and stating that the instrument(s) may be returned to the agent.

[CGD 89-007, CGD 89-007a, 58 FR 60266, Nov. 15, 1993; 58 FR 65131, Dec. 13, 1993, as amended by CGD 95-014, 60 FR 31605, June 15, 1995]

§ 67.218 Optional filing of instruments in portable document format as attachments to electronic mail.

(a) Any instrument identified as eligible for filing and recording under §67.200 may be submitted in portable document format (.pdf) as an attachment to electronic mail (e-mail) for filing at the National Vessel Documentation Center. The e-mail address to be used for instrument filing may be obtained from the National Vessel Documentation Center Web site. If the instrument submitted for filing in .pdf format pertains to a vessel that is not a currently documented vessel, a completed Application for Initial Issue, Exchange, or Replacement Certificate of Documentation, or Return to Documentation (form CG-1258) or a letter application for deletion from documentation must already be on file with the National Vessel Documentation Center or must be submitted in .pdf format with the instrument being submitted in .pdf format for filing.

(b) All instruments submitted for filing in .pdf format must be clearly legible, be submitted from $8\frac{1}{2}$ inch by 11 inch paper in not less than 10-point type size, and submitted as an attachment to e-mail.

- (c) The e-mail required by paragraph (b) should indicate:
- (1) The name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of the person submitting the instrument for filing in .pdf format;
- (2) The number of pages submitted for filing in .pdf format; and
- (3) The name of the vessel, official number or hull identification number of the vessel(s), and the name(s) of the owner(s) of the vessel(s) to which the instrument relates.
- (d) The filing of any instrument submitted for filing in .pdf format is terminated and the instrument will be returned to the submitter if the instrument is subject to termination for any cause under §67.217(a).

[USCG-2007-28098, 72 FR 42312, Aug. 2, 2007]

§ 67.219 Optional filing of instruments by facsimile.

- (a) Any instrument identified as eligible for filing and recording under §67.200 may be submitted for filing to the National Vessel Documentation Center by facsimile at (304) 271-2405. If the instrument submitted by facsimile for filing pertains to a vessel that is not a currently documented vessel, a completed Application for Initial Issue, Exchange, or Replacement Certificate of Documentation, or Return to Documentation (form CG-1258) or a letter application for deletion from documentation must already be on file with the National Vessel Documentation Center or must be submitted by facsimile with the instrument being submitted by facsimile for filing.
- (b) All instruments submitted by facsimile for filing must be clearly legible, be submitted from 8½ inch by 11 inch paper in not less than 10-point type size, and accompanied by a cover sheet.
- (c) The cover sheet required by paragraph (b) should indicate:
- (1) The name, address, telephone number, and facsimile telephone number of the person submitting the instrument by facsimile;
- (2) The number of pages submitted by facsimile; and
- (3) The name of the vessel, official number or hull identification number of the vessel(s), and the name(s) of the