

In addition, any person may, upon request, inspect the application, notice and other documents germane to the application in person at the Palm Beach County Department of Airports.

Issued in Orlando, Florida on November 9, 1998.

**W. Dean Stringer,**

*Manager, Orlando Airports District Office, Southern Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

[Docket MARAD-98-4736]

#### **Crowley American Transport, Inc.; Notice of Application to Increase Service in the Non-Contiguous Domestic Trade for Puerto Rico**

Crowley American Transport, Inc. (Crowley), by application dated September 30, 1998, as amended on November 9, 1998, has applied for an increase in the authorized level of the container service that it provides to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (Puerto Rico), pursuant to section 656(d) of Subtitle B, Title VI, of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as Amended (1936 Act). Crowley has requested that this increase in its authorized service level be made on the basis of the information on growth in Real Gross Product for Puerto Rico provided in support of the application filed by Sea-Land Service, Inc. for a similar increase in its container service to Puerto Rico in Docket 98-4297.

This application is Crowley's first request for such adjustment as permitted under section 656(d) and contains adjustments for growth in Puerto Rico's RGP for Fiscal Years 1996, 1997 and 1998. A summation of the service level increases requested by Crowley is attached hereto as Table I.

Any person, firm or corporation having an interest in this application for increased service authorization, and who desires to submit comments concerning Crowley's application, should refer to the docket number that

appears on this notice and must submit the comments to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, Nassif Building, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590. Such comments must be filed in triplicate and received no later than 5:00 P.M. Eastern Time, December 17, 1998.

The application and all comments received will be available for examination 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 is available on the World Wide Web at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

Dated: November 10, 1998.

**Joel C. Richard,**

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

#### TABLE I.—CROWLEY AMERICAN TRANSPORT, INC.; REQUESTED IN- CREASE IN AUTHORIZED NON-CON- TIGUOUS DOMESTIC SERVICE FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO

Default and authorized level of service as of August 9, 1995: 220,750 TEUs.  
Increase for Puerto Rico Fiscal Year 1996 (July 1, 1995 to June 30, 1996).

Growth in Real Gross Product: +3.3 percent.  
Proration, August 9, 1995 to June 30, 1996 = 326/366 Days (1996 was a leap year) = .89.  
(.89) × (3.3) = 2.94 percent.  
Increase = (.0294) × (220,750) = 6,490 TEUs.  
Total as of June 30, 1996 = 227,240 TEUs.  
Increase for Puerto Rico Fiscal Year 1997 (July 1, 1996 to June 30, 1997).

Growth in Real Gross Product: +3.2 percent.  
Increase = (.032) × (227,240) = 7,272 TEUs.  
Total as of June 30, 1997 = 234,512 TEUs.  
Increase for Puerto Rico Fiscal Year 1998 (July 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998).

Growth in Real Gross Product: +3.0 percent (Tentative).  
Increase = (.030) × (234,512) = 7,035 TEUs.  
Total as of June 30, 1998 = 241,547 TEUs.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

#### Research and Development Programs Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a public meeting at which NHTSA will describe and discuss specific research and development projects. Further, the notice requests suggestions for topics to be presented by the agency.

**Dates and Times:** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration will hold a public meeting devoted primarily to presentations of specific research and development projects on December 17, 1998, beginning at 1:30 p.m. and ending at approximately 5:00 p.m. The deadline for interested parties to suggest agenda topics is 4:15 p.m. on November 30, 1998. Questions may be submitted in advance regarding the agency's research and development projects. They must be submitted in writing by December 3, 1998, to the address given below. If sufficient time is available, questions received after the December 3 date will be answered at the meeting during the discussion period. The individual, group, or company asking a question does not have to be present for the question to be answered. A consolidated list of answers to questions submitted by December 3 will be available at the meeting and will be mailed to requesters after the meeting.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Clarion Hotel, 9191 Wickham Road, Romulus, MI. Suggestions for specific R&D topics as described below and questions for the December 17, 1998, meeting relating to the agency's research and development programs should be submitted to the Office of the Associate Administrator for Research and Development, NRD-01, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Room 6206, 400 Seventh St., SW, Washington, DC 20590. The fax number is (202) 366-5930.