

*allegations-in-spain*) (last visited November 20, 2024). That vessel was owned and operated by a participant in the MARAD MSP Fleet and the vessel appears to have been receiving a retainer from MARAD in exchange for availability during times of need. See Maritime Security Program | MARAD, (<https://www.maritime.dot.gov/national-security/strategic-sealift/maritime-security-program-msp>) (last visited November 20, 2024). Spain also appears to have denied entry to the Maersk Seletar, another MSP participant vessel, in early November.<sup>2</sup> Though not a participant in the MSP, another vessel appears to have been refused docking privileges in May. *Spain Denies Port of Call to Ship Carrying Arms to Israel*, The Guardian, May 16, 2024 (available at <https://www.theguardian.com/world/article/2024/may/16/spain-denies-port-of-call-to-ship-carrying-arms-to-israel>) (last accessed November 20, 2024).

MARAD's MSP maintains a fleet of commercially viable, militarily useful merchant ships active in international trade. The MSP fleet is available to support U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) sustainment sealift requirements during times of conflict or in other national emergencies. The program also provides DoD access to MSP participants' global intermodal transportation network of terminals, facilities, logistic management services, and U.S. citizen merchant mariners.

The Commission's statutory purposes include ensuring an efficient, competitive, and economical transportation system in the United States, encouraging the development of an economically sound and efficient liner fleet capable of meeting national security needs and supporting commerce, and promoting the growth and development of United States exports through competitive and efficient carriage of goods by water. 46 U.S.C. 40101. A law or policy by a foreign government that refuses entry to vessels documented under the laws of the United States is inconsistent with the Commission's goal of ensuring access to and supporting the complex and interdependent system for the common carriage of goods by water in foreign commerce. The Commission has therefore determined that it will investigate the apparent decision by Spain to deny entry to vessels participating in MARAD's MSP, as well as its apparent decision to deny entry to other vessels.

<sup>2</sup> See also <https://www.maritime.dot.gov/sites/marad.dot.gov/files/2022-08/MSP%20Fleet%20%208-1-2022.pdf> for a list of vessels participating in the MSP.

At this initial stage of the investigation, the Commission will focus on providing a route for interested parties, including the Government of Spain and common carriers that have been denied entry into Spanish ports, to provide information, perspectives, and proposed solutions.

### III. Investigation and Initial Request for Comments

The Commission has determined that the above situation meets the threshold requirements for consideration under the relevant statutory and regulatory authority. See 46 U.S.C. 42101; 46 CFR part 550. The Commission therefore initiates an investigation into whether the situation has created conditions that are unfavorable to shipping in foreign trade, whether in a particular trade or on a particular route or in commerce generally. See 46 U.S.C. 42101(a); 46 CFR 550.301. To that end, the Commission has designated the General Counsel to lead an investigation into the conditions and to prepare a report on the investigation's findings and recommendations for Commission consideration. The Commission has further determined to ask interested persons to submit written comments containing arguments, experiences, and/or data relevant to denials of entry into Spanish ports. In particular, the Commission seeks information about when this has occurred, the vessels that have been denied entry, and any reason or reasons given for the denial.

The Commission's jurisdiction under 46 U.S.C. 42101 is broad, and the agency welcomes comments not only from the Government of Spain, but also from container shipping interests, vessel owners, individuals and groups with relevant information on commercial considerations, and anyone else with relevant information or perspectives on this matter.

As the Commission proceeds with this investigation, it may determine to request additional comment or gather information through other means as authorized under 46 U.S.C. 40104 and 42104, and 46 CFR part 550.

By the Commission.

**David Eng,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meetings

**TIME AND DATE:** 10 a.m., Tuesday, December 17, 2024.

**PLACE:** The Richard V. Backley Hearing Room, Room 511, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 504 North, Washington, DC 20004 (enter from F Street entrance).

**STATUS:** Open.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Commission will consider and act upon the following in open session: *Mallery v. El Segundo Coal Co., LLC*, Docket No. CENT 2024-0106. (Issues include whether the Judge erred in finding no adverse action, and whether the Judge erred in issuing show cause orders.)

Any person attending this meeting who requires special accessibility features and/or auxiliary aids, such as sign language interpreters, must inform the Commission in advance of those needs. Subject to 29 CFR 2706.150(a)(3) and 2706.160(d).

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Emogene Johnson (202) 434-9935/(202) 708-9300 for TDD. Relay/1-800-877-8339 for toll free.

Phone Number for Listening to Meeting: 1-(866) 236-7472. Passcode: 678-100.

*Authority:* 5 U.S.C. 552b.

Dated: December 4, 2024.

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

**ACTION:** Notice, request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) invites comment on a proposal to extend for three years, without revision, the Application to Become a Savings and Loan Holding Company or to Acquire a Savings Association or Savings and Loan Holding Company (FR LL-10(e); OMB No. 7100-0336).

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before February 4, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by FR LL-10(e), by any of the following methods: