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Comment on the Recreational Boating Survey

The Boating Division of the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (CTDEP), in response to the request for comments regarding the utility of the collection

of recreational boating data (Federal Register Vol. 75, No. 71, Page 19413), offers the following comments with respect to the practical utility of the collection:

1. CTDEP believes that the collection of data by the three survey components is necessary to better focus education initiatives and law enforcement resources in an effort to reduce boating-related fatalities and injuries statewide and nationally. Specifically, CTDEP the need for exposure data is critically needed to better understand accident frequency and severity with respect to the type of vessel and weighted for actual operating hours.

2. In addition, CTDEP believes that Recreational Boating Survey will provide an invaluable data source that will figure prominently in the legislative and regulatory process, providing corroborative data for the creation of legislation and for the development of testimony with respect to proposed legislation. Such data, collected on a nationwide basis and weighted for the participation of the several states, is not and would not otherwise available to the several states.

We encourage the USCG to go forward with the national survey. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the utility of the Recreational Boating Survey. If you have any questions, please contact feel free to contact me at (860) 434-8638.

Sincerely,

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