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Mr. Mark McCulloh Parasail Safety Council Clayton-McCulloh Building 1065 Maitland Commons Blvd. Maitland, FL 32751

Dear Mr. McCulloh:

The Coast Guard's Marine Safety and Security Council (MSSC) thank you for submitting your letter of September 17, 2010 and have treated it as a petition for rulemaking. Your petition was processed in accordance with Coast Guard regulations found at 33 CFR 1.05-20.

Commander G. L. Boone, USCG, Chief of the Domestic Compliance Division, Office of Vessel Activities initially responded to your petition by letter dated October 27, 2010. I wish to clarify some information provided to you in that letter.

Firstly, with respect to the reference in CDR Boone's letter to the "Office of Regulations," personnel in the Coast Guard's Office of Regulations and Administrative Law (CG-0943) have indeed reviewed your petition. However, sole responsibility for processing your petition rests with me, as the Executive Secretary of the MSSC. Further, opening a docket (USCG-2010-0932) should not be read to imply that the Coast Guard, the MSSC, or the Office of Regulations & Administrative Law (CG-0943) endorses your petition at this time. Opening a docket is a procedural requirement found in 33 CFR 1.05-20, which is intended to make the petitioning process open and transparent for the public. You may review the docket materials by inserting the docket number into the keyword search box at www.regulations.gov

Secondly, the Coast Guard will not take be taking regulatory action on your petition at this time. The Coast Guard's current position is to support the voluntary development of best practices within the recreational water sports industry. We will continue to monitor recreational water sports, and may change our position if future developments indicate a need to do so.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have additional questions or concerns about the petition process.

Sincerely,

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Commander, U. S. Coast Guard Executive Secretary, MSSC