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APPENDIX A TO PART 173—ISSUING AUTHORITIES AND REPORTING AUTHORITIES

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Subpart A—General

§ 173.1 Purpose.

This part prescribes requirements for numbering vessels and for reporting casualties and accidents to implement sections 6101, 6102, 12301 and 12302 of Title 46, United States Code.

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§ 173.3 Definitions.

As used in this part:

(a) [Reserved]

(b) Issuing authority means a State that has a numbering system approved by the Coast Guard or the Coast Guard where a number system has not been approved. Issuing authorities are listed in Appendix A of this part.

(c) *Operator* means the person who is in control or in charge of a vessel while

it is in use.

(d) *Owner* means a person who claims lawful possession of a vessel by virtue of legal title or equitable interest therein which entitles him to such possession.

(e) *Person* means an individual, firm, partnership, corporation, company, association, joint-stock association, or governmental entity and includes a trustee, receiver, assignee, or similar representative of any of them.

(f) Reporting authority means a State that has a numbering system approved by the Coast Guard or the Coast Guard where a numbering system has not been approved. Reporting authorities are listed in Appendix A of this part.

(g) State means a State of the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the District of Columbia.

(h) State of principal use means the State on whose waters a vessel is used or to be used most during a calendar year.

(i) *Use* means operate, navigate, or employ.

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