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Federal Register Notice

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. USCG-2015-0472]

Deepwater Port License Application: Delfin LNG LLC, Delfin LNG Deepwater Port

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation **ACTION:** Notice of availability; notice of public meeting; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Maritime Administration (MARAD), in cooperation with the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), announces the availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Delfin LNG deepwater port license application for the exportation of natural gas. Delfin LNG, LLC (Delfin LNG), is the applicant.

A Notice of Application that summarized the original Delfin LNG license application was published in the **Federal Register** on July 16, 2015 (80 FR 42162). A Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Notice of Public Meetings was published in the **Federal Register** on July 29, 2015 (80 FR 45270). A Notice of Receipt of Amended Application was published in the **Federal Register** on December 24, 2015 (80 FR 80455). This Notice of Availability (NOA) incorporates the aforementioned Notices by reference.

The proposed Delfin LNG deepwater port would be located in Federal waters within the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) approximately 37.4 to 40.8 nautical miles off the coast of Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

The proposed Delfin LNG deepwater port incorporates onshore components, which are subject to FERC jurisdiction. These facilities are described in the section of this Notice titled "FERC Application."

Publication of this notice begins a 45day comment period, requests public participation in the environmental impact review process, provides information on how to participate in the process and announces informational open houses and public meetings in Cameron, Louisiana and Beaumont, Texas.

DATES: The Maritime Administration will hold two public meetings in connection with the license application DEIS. The first public meeting will be held in Cameron, Louisiana, on August 9, 2016, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The second public meeting will be held in Beaumont, Texas, on August 10, 2016,

from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Each public meeting will be preceded by an open house from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The public meeting may end later than the stated time, depending on the number of persons who wish to make a comment on the record. Additionally, material you submit in response to the request for comments must reach *www.regulations.gov* by close of business August 29, 2016, or 45 days after the date of publication of this NOA in the **Federal Register**, whichever is later.

ADDRESSES: The open house and public meeting in Cameron, Louisiana will be held at the Johnson Bayou Community Center, 5556 Gulf Beach Highway, Cameron, LA, 70631; telephone: 337– 569–2454. Free parking is available at the Community Center. The open house and public meeting in Beaumont, Texas will be held at the Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza, 3950 Walden Road, Beaumont, Texas 77705; telephone: 409–842–5995. Free parking is available at the Holiday Inn Beaumont Plaza.

The license application, comments, supporting information and the DEIS are available for viewing at the *Regulations.gov* Web site: *http:// www.regulations.gov* under docket number USCG–2015–0472. The Final EIS (FEIS), when published, will be announced and available at this site as well.

We encourage you to submit comments electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http:// www.regulations.gov. If you submit your comments electronically, it is not necessary to also submit a hard copy. If you cannot submit material using http:// www.regulations.gov, please contact either Mr. Roddy Bachman, USCG or Ms. Yvette M. Fields, MARAD, as listed in the following FOR FURTHER **INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document. This section provides alternate instructions for submitting written comments. Additionally, if you go to the online docket and sign up for email alerts, you will be notified when comments are posted. Anonymous comments will be accepted. All comments received will be posted without change to http:// www.regulations.gov and will include any personal information you have provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Roddy Bachman, USCG, telephone: 202–372–1451, email: *Roddy.C.Bachman@uscg.mil;* or Ms. Yvette M. Fields, Director, Office of Deepwater Ports and Offshore Activities, MARAD, telephone: 202– 366–0926, email: *Yvette.Fields@dot.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Request for Comments

We request public comments or other relevant information related to the DEIS for the proposed Delfin LNG deepwater port. These comments will inform our preparation of the FEIS. We encourage attendance at the open houses and public meetings; however, you may submit comments electronically. It is preferred that comments be submitted electronically. Regardless of the method you use to submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted. without change, to the Federal Docket Operations Facility Web site (http:// www.regulations.gov), and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy and Use Notice that is available on the www.regulations.gov Web site, and the Department of Transportation (DOT) Privacy Act Notice that appeared in the Federal Register on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477), see PRIVACY ACT. You may view docket submissions at the DOT Docket Operations Facility or electronically at the www.reguations.gov Web site.

Public Meeting and Open House

You are invited to learn about the proposed Delfin LNG deepwater port at either of the informational open houses and to comment on the proposed action and the environmental impact analysis contained in the DEIS. Speakers may register upon arrival and will be recognized in the following order: Elected officials, public agency representatives, then individuals or groups in the order in which they registered. In order to accommodate all speakers, speaker time may be limited, meeting hours may be extended, or both. Speakers' transcribed remarks will be included in the public docket. You may also submit written material for inclusion in the public docket. Written material must include the author's name. We ask attendees to respect the meeting procedures in order to ensure a constructive information-gathering session. Please do not bring signs or banners inside the meeting venue. The presiding officer will use his/her discretion to conduct the meeting in an orderly manner.

Public meeting locations are wheelchair accessible; however, attendees who require special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodation, please notify the USCG (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) at least five (5) business days in advance. Please include contact information as well as information about specific needs.

Background

On May 8, 2015, as supplemented on June 19, 2015, MARAD and USCG received a license application from Delfin LNG for all Federal authorizations required for a license to own, construct and operate a deepwater port for the export of natural gas. The proposed deepwater port would be located in Federal waters approximately 37.4 to 40.8 nautical miles off the coast of Cameron Parish, Louisiana. Louisiana and Texas were designated as Adjacent Coastal States (ACS) for the Delfin LNG license application.

The Federal agencies involved held two public scoping meetings in connection with the original Delfin LNG license application. The first public scoping meeting was held in Lake Charles, Louisiana on August 18, 2015; the second public scoping meeting was held in Beaumont, Texas on August 19, 2015. Transcripts of the scoping meetings are included in the public docket. After the public scoping meetings concluded, Delfin LNG advised MARAD, the USCG and FERC of its intent to amend the original license application.

In anticipation of the amended license application, MARAD and USCG issued a regulatory "stop-clock" letter to Delfin LNG on September 18, 2015. That letter commenced a regulatory "stop-clock," effective September 18, 2015, which remained in effect until MARAD and USCG received the amended license application and determined it contained sufficient information to continue the Federal review process. On November 19, 2015, Delfin LNG submitted its amended license application to MARAD and USCG.

Working in coordination with participating Federal and State agencies, MARAD commenced processing the amended license application and completed the DEIS. The purpose of the DEIS is to analyze reasonable alternatives to, and the direct, indirect and cumulative environmental impacts of, the proposed action. The DEIS is currently available for public review at the Federal docket Web site: *www.regulations.gov* under docket number USCG–2015–0472.

Summary of the License Application

Delfin LNG is proposing to construct, own, operate and eventually decommission a deepwater port in the Gulf of Mexico to liquefy domesticallysourced natural gas for export. Exports are proposed to both Free Trade Agreement nations and non-Free Trade Agreement nations, in accordance with Department of Energy export license approvals.

The proposed Delfin LNG deepwater port has both onshore and offshore components. As previously described, the proposed Delfin LNG deepwater port would be located in Federal waters within the OCS West Cameron Area, West Addition Protraction Area (Gulf of Mexico) approximately 37.4 to 40.8 nautical miles off the coast of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, in water depths ranging from approximately 64 to 72 feet (19.5 to 21.9 meters). The Delfin LNG deepwater port would consist of four semi-permanently moored Floating Liquefied Natural Gas Vessels (FLNGVs) located as follows: #1 (29°8'13.1" N./ 93°2'2.2" W.), #2 (29°6'13.6" N./ 93° 32'42.4" W.), #3 (29°6'40.7" N./ 93°30'10.1" W.) and #4 (29°4'40.9" N./ 93°30′51.8″ W.) located in West Cameron (WC) lease blocks 319, 327, 328 and 334, respectively. The Delfin LNG deepwater port would reuse and repurpose two existing offshore natural gas pipelines; the former U–T Operating System (UTOS) pipeline and the High Island Operating System (HIOS) pipeline. Four new 30-inch diameter pipeline laterals, each approximately 6,400 feet in length, connecting the HIOS pipeline to each of the FLNGVs, would be constructed. In addition, a 700-foot 42-inch diameter new pipeline would be constructed to bypass a platform at WC lease block 167 (WC 167) and connect the UTOS and HIOS pipelines. Feed gas would be supplied through the new pipeline laterals to each of the FLNGVs where it would be super-cooled to produce LNG. The LNG would be stored onboard the FLNGVs and transferred via ship-to-ship transfer to properly certified LNG tankers. Each of the FLNGVs would be semipermanently moored to four new weathervaning tower yoke mooring systems (TYMS).

The onshore components in Cameron Parish, Louisiana are described specifically in an application submitted to FERC. The onshore components of the Delfin LNG deepwater port will consist of constructing and operating a new natural gas compressor station, gas supply header and a metering station at an existing gas facility. The proposal would require: (1) Reactivation of approximately 1.1 miles of existing 42inch pipeline, formerly owned by UTOS, which runs from Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Company Station No. 44 (Transco Station 44) to the mean highwater mark along the Cameron Parish Coast; (2) installation of 120,000 horsepower of new compression; (3) construction of 0.25

miles of 42-inch pipeline to connect the former UTOS line to the new meter station; and (4) construction of 0.6 miles of twin 30-inch pipelines between Transco Station 44 and the new compressor station.

Onshore pipeline quality natural gas from the interstate grid would be sent to the existing, but currently idle, 42-inch UTOS pipeline. The gas transported through the UTOS pipeline would then bypass the existing manifold platform located at WC 167 via a newly installed pipeline segment, 700 feet in length, connecting to the existing 42-inch HIOS pipeline.

The bypass of the WC 167 platform would be trenched so that the top of the pipe is a minimum of 3 feet below the seafloor. From the bypass, the feed gas would then be transported further offshore using the HIOS pipeline portion leased by Delfin LNG between WC 167 and High Island A264. The existing UTOS and HIOS pipelines transect OCS Lease Blocks WC 314, 318, 319, 327, and 335, and would transport feed gas from onshore to offshore (onedirectional flow). Delfin LNG proposes to install four new lateral pipelines along the HIOS pipeline, starting approximately 16.0 nautical miles south of the WC 167 platform. Each subsea lateral pipeline would be 30 inches in diameter and approximately 6,400 feet in length, extending from the HIOS pipeline to the Delfin LNG deepwater port. The maximum allowable operating pressure of the pipeline system (UTOS, bypass, HIOS and laterals) would be 1,250 pounds per square inch gauge (psig).

The FLNGVs would receive pipeline quality natural gas via the laterals and TYMS where it would be cooled sufficiently to completely condense the gas and produce LNG. The produced LNG would be stored in International Maritime Organization (IMO) type B, prismatic, independent LNG storage tanks aboard each of the FLNGVs. Each vessel would have a total LNG storage capacity of 210,000 cubic meters (m³).

An offloading mooring system would be provided on each FLNGV to moor an LNG tanker side-by-side for cargo transfer of LNG through loading arms or cryogenic hoses using ship-to-ship transfer procedures. LNG tankers would be moored with pilot and tug assist. The FLNGVs would be equipped with fenders and quick-release hooks to facilitate mooring and unmooring operations. The offloading system would be capable of accommodating standard LNG tankers with nominal cargo capacities up to 170,000 m³. Delfin LNG estimates that the typical LNG cargo transfer operation would be

carried out within 24 hours, including LNG tanker berthing, cargo transfer and sail-away. Approximately 31 LNG tankers are expected to visit each of the four FLNGVs per year for a total of up to 124 cargo transfer operations per year. Each LNG tanker would be assisted by up to three tugs during approach and mooring and up to two tugs while departing the Delfin LNG deepwater port.

The FLNGVs would be self-propelled vessels and have the ability to disconnect from the TYMS and set sail to avoid hurricanes or to facilitate required inspections, maintenance and repairs.

In the nominal design case, based on an estimated availability of 92 percent and allowance for consumption of feed gas during the liquefaction process, each of the four FLNGVs would produce approximately 146 billion standard cubic feet per year (Bscf/y) of gas (approximately 3.0 million metric tonnes per annum [MMtpa]) for export in the form of LNG. Together, the four FLNGVs are designed to have the capability to export 585 Bscf/y of gas (approximately 12.0 MMtpa).

As detailed engineering and equipment specification advances during the design process and operating efficiencies are gained postcommissioning, the liquefaction process could perform better than this nominal design case. It is anticipated that LNG output could improve to as much as 657.5 Bscf/y in the optimized design case (approximately 13.2 MMtpa) which is the amount Delfin LNG is requesting authorization to export.

The proposed Delfin LNG deepwater port would take a modular implementation approach to allow for early market entry and accommodate market shifts. Offshore construction activities are proposed to begin at the end of first quarter of 2018 and would be completed in four stages, with each stage corresponding to the commissioning and operation of an FLNGV. The anticipated commissioning of FLNGV 1 is the third quarter of 2019 with start-up of commercial operation of FLNGV 1 by the end of 2019. It is anticipated that FLNGVs 2 through 4 would be commissioned 12 months apart. Following this schedule and barring unforeseen events, the Delfin deepwater port would be completed and all four FLNGVs would be fully operational by the summer of 2022.

Should a license be issued, the Delfin LNG deepwater port would be designed, fabricated, constructed, commissioned, maintained, inspected and operated in accordance with applicable codes and standards and with USCG oversight as regulated under Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), subchapter NN-Deepwater Ports (33 CFR 148, 149 and 150). This includes applicable waterways management and regulated navigations areas, maritime safety and security requirements, risk assessment and compliance with domestic and international laws and regulations for vessels that may call at the port.

FERC Application

On May 8, 2015, Delfin LNG filed its original application with FERC requesting authorizations pursuant to the Natural Gas Act and 18 CFR part 157 for the onshore components of the proposed deepwater port terminal including authorization to use the existing pipeline infrastructure, which includes leasing a segment of pipeline from HIOS extending from the terminus of the UTOS pipeline offshore. On May 20, 2015, FERC issued its Notice of Application for the onshore components of Delfin LNG's deepwater port project in Docket No. CP15-490-000. This Notice was published in the Federal Register on May 27, 2015 (80 FR 30226). Delfin LNG stated in its application that High Island Offshore System, LLC would submit a separate application with FERC seeking authorization to abandon by lease its facilities to Delfin LNG. FERC, however, advised Delfin LNG that it would not begin processing Delfin LNG's application until such time that MARAD and USCG deemed Delfin LNG's deepwater port license application complete and High Island Offshore System, LLC submitted an abandonment application with FERC. On June 29, 2015, MARAD and USCG accepted the documentation and deemed the original Delfin license application complete.

On November 19, 2015, High Island Offshore System, LLC filed an application (FERC Docket No. CP16-20-000) to abandon certain offshore facilities in the Gulf of Mexico, including its 66-mile-long mainline, an offshore platform and related facilities ("HIOS Repurposed Facilities"). Accordingly, on November 19, 2015, Delfin LNG filed an amended application in FERC Docket No. CP15-490–001 to use the HIOS Repurposed Facilities and to revise the onshore component of its deepwater port project. On December 1, 2015, FERC issued a Notice of Application for Delfin LNG's amendment, which was published in the Federal Register on December 7, 2015 (80 FR 76003)

The amended FERC application specifically discusses the onshore facility and adjustments to the onshore operations that would involve reactivating approximately 1.1 miles of the existing UTOS pipeline; the addition of four new onshore compressors totaling 120,000 horsepower of new compression; activation of associated metering and regulation facilities; the installation of new supply header pipelines (which would consist of 0.25 miles of new 42inch-diameter pipeline to connect the former UTOS line to the new meter station); and 0.6 miles of new twin 30inch-diameter pipelines between Transco Station 44 and the new compressor station site.

Additional information regarding the details of Delfin LNG's original and amended application to FERC is on file and open to public inspection. Project filings may be viewed on the web at *www.ferc.gov* using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP15–490) in the docket number field to access project information. For assistance, please contact FERC at *FERCOnlineSupport*® *ferc.gov* or call toll-free, (886) 208–3676 or TYY, (202) 502–8659.

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Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or materials, all submissions will be posted, without change, to *www.regulations.gov* and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information to the docket makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy and Security Notice, as well as the User Notice, that is available on the *www.regulations.gov* Web site. The Privacy Act notice regarding the Federal Docket Management System is available in the March 24, 2005, issue of the **Federal Register** (70 FR 15086).

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1501 *et seq.*, 49 CFR 1.93(h).

Dated: July 7, 2016.

By Order of the Maritime Administrator. T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Applications of 21 Air, LLC for Certificate Authority

AGENCY: Department of Transportation. **ACTION:** Notice of Order to Show Cause (Order 2016–7–5) Dockets DOT–OST– 2015–0043 and DOT–OST–2015–0044.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation is directing all interested

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 The open house and public meeting in Texas will be held on Wednesday, August 10, 2016. Open House: 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM; Public Meeting: 6 pm to 8 pm. These events will be held at: the Holday Inn Hotel & Suites Beaumont, Texas 77705. Phone: 409-842-5995. Free parking is available at the hotel.
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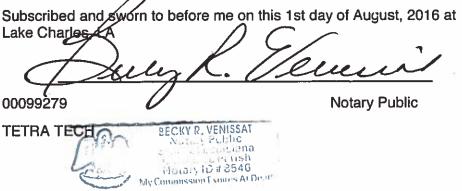
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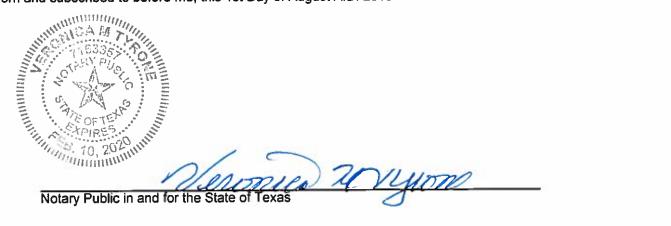
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Extra duty pay of \$25k ends in theft trial for BISD staffer

By Jennifer Johnson Supervising Editor

To let Naomi Lawrence-Lee tell it, between September 2012 and October 2013, she was working a lot of hours for the Beaumont Independent School District. So many, in fact, that she earned more than \$25,000 in extra pay on top of her administrative-level sal-

ary just during that year. According to Lawrence-Lee, she not only worked her 40-hour-a-week job as assistant director of Purchasing and Finance, but she also put in two extra hours every day – four hours on some days – nearly year-round and worked 54 out of 58 Saturdays (including vacation days and holidays) in that timeframe to

serve as a go-between for soda concession payments for high school football games.

The problem, according to a state indictment alleging that Lawrence-Lee effectively stole \$17,950 of that extra duty pay, is that she wasn't approved to perform that many hours of work, yet she billed and was paid for it anyway.

In a trial that began Tuesday, July 26, and is expected to wrap up by the end of the week, Lawrence-Lee is accused of theft by a public servant. She emphatically denies the assertion and maintains that she was asked to perform other jobs, as well, to make up that total – she just has no evidence to prove it. But according to her, there is no evidence to prove she wasn't asked to perform those jobs either.

Lawrence-Lee points to former BISD Athletic Director Rodney Saveat as the person for whom she was working the entirety of the hours in question that she billed BISD. Not so, Saveat said.

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According to Saveat, it was Lawrence-Lee who first brought up payment for performing what they called "the Pepsi contract." Saveat said the purchasing administrator was in charge of making sure Pepsi was paid for soda concessions provided to the three high schools' football games through each

> campus' booster club. Whether his department was responsible for paying for a billing function, he couldn't be sure, but he agreed to pay it anyway.

So, a placement sheet was drawn up for the 2012 football season. On the sheet, which serves as a request for extra duty pay, a set of duties for a certain time period was outlined, and pay was set at \$25

for each hour it would require to perform that job. At some point, the maximum hours estimated for the 2012 football season was set at 200 - well more than the 100-hour estimated use by Pepsi representatives to perform most of the same functions, as well as delivery, set-up, take-down, and weekly inventory. At \$5,000, the extra-duty pay approved for payment at 200 hours, Saveat said he was willing to pay up. He was also willing to pay for 204 hours of the same work for a subsequent season of football concession billing. He was adamant, though, that her bill to BISD for an additional 718 hours above and beyond those two agreements was not his understanding of the arrangement.

Lawrence-Lee, however, said she was asked by the athletic director to perform jobs outside the scope of the approved extra duty assignment, which required extra man hours, and she

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This little fella was born in St. Mary Hospital in Port Arthur and almost instantly became a sports fanatic. With only a half-sister, he jumped right into sports as soon as he could walk and played little league baseball and peewee football. He got adventurous in junior high and began playing dodge ball but came home with a broken arm. Though he has become a family man and businessman, it was a night of watching television at his grandparent's house that gave him an idea to step



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Housing assistance program opening for applicants

By Jennifer Johnson **Supervising Editor**

For many Southeast Texans, rental costs are nearly impossible to afford. With market rates for two and three bedroom properties routinely marked up to about \$1,000 monthly, a single head of household worker earning minimum wage would have to use every single cent from four 40-hour work weeks just to put a roof over their family's head.

The Beaumont Housing Authority wants to help. But with limited funds and seemingly unlimited pool of people in need of affordable housing, those waiting for assistance may have to wait quite awhile. And since January of 2015, those hoping to apply for Section 8 housing assistance couldn't even get on the waiting list.

But this coming week - for one week only - the BHA will open the waiting list and allow those needing the assistance to get in the queue for admission to the program.

"You get to a point to where

the number of applicants on the list is reduced by applicants moving away, getting their vouchers, (etc.)," BHA execu-tive director Robert Reyna said. Since 2015, when the waiting list consisted of 3,000 to 4,000 families, the list has been reduced to about 500, he added. Reyna

"We'll open it up for a week and we'll definitely get that number back up. There's a lot of applicants whenever we can open the waiting list."

According to Reyna, "a number of factors" come into play as to how long applicants can be on the list. Veterans are given preference and are moved to the front of the line. For others, the wait can be two to three years, "depending on how fast the waiting list moves."

"Which is why it's important to get on the waiting list now," Reyna said.

For those with immediate housing needs, there are other options such as public housing, which is different from Section 8 in that with the Section 8 voucher program, those with vouchers can use the assistance to live anywhere in the region.

"We have vacant apartments at public housing sites," Reyna said. His experience is that more often than not, most affordable housing applicants prefer to live in private housing, but with public housing, "at least they have housing now and they can have their name on the waiting list for Section & If they

Income Limits

(As of March 28, 2016)

FAMLY	HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER INCOME LINET	PLOLIC HOUSING	HOLESING TAX CREEK
1	\$38,450	\$32,700	534,540
2	\$21,400	\$37,400	\$25,080
3	\$34,300	\$42,030	\$31,560
4	\$29,200	\$46,700	\$35,040
5	\$31,500	\$30,450	537,840
	\$31,960	\$34,200	\$49,680
7	\$34,250	\$37,990	\$41,500
	\$38,560	\$61,480	\$46,260

According to BHA liaison Allison Landrum, qualified applicants to the Section 8 program can earn up to \$29,200 annually for a family of four. Applicants for public housing can earn substantially more - \$46,700 annually for family of four.

Those wanting to apply for the Section 8 waiting list will only be able to do so the week of Aug. 8-12.

All interested parties must complete an online application at the BHA website. www.bmtha.org.

Landrum said that computers are available at the application kiosk in the lobby of the Beaumont Housing Authority office at 1890 Laurel if applicants need that service.

"We are very excited to provide this fully automated appli-

cation process for our customers," Reyna said of the website. "Not only does the online application eliminate the need to stand in line, it provides those who do not speak English as their first language with multiple translations to provide an easier application experience.

As noted, the Section 8 program offers a preference for veterans. Veteran applicants must be honorably discharged or currently on active duty with the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard or the National Guard (if deployed during war). This definition also includes the spouse of a veteran who is currently on active duty, or the widow of a veteran who was killed in action.

Additionally, according to the BHA crew, income eligible families may also qualify for participation in the Section 8 Homeownership program if they are interested in purchasing their first home. Although the income limits are the same for the Section 8 homeownership program as the rental program, Landrum said that many fami-

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