

April 30, 2009

MCPO Charles W. Bowen  
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Washington, DC 20593-0001

Dear Master Chief Petty Officer Bowen:

I would like to invite you or your representative to testify before the Committee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation regarding Fiscal Year 2010 Budget Requests of the Coast Guard, Maritime Administration, and Federal Maritime Commission. The hearing will take place on Wednesday, May 13, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 2167 of the Rayburn House Office Building (HOB).

Witnesses must have 50 copies of written testimony hand-delivered to Room 507 Ford HOB, to the attention of Ianta Summers, by close of business on Friday, May 8, 2009. In addition, 50 copies of testimony must be hand-delivered to 2165 Rayburn HOB, to the attention of Jimmy Miller, by close of business on Friday, May 8, 2009. Name, mailing address, organization represented, and telephone number must appear on the face of the testimony.

For the purpose of complying with House Rule XI, clause 2(e)(4), requiring each committee to make its publications available in electronic form to the maximum extent practicable, each witness is strongly urged to submit testimony in Microsoft Word format (i.e. copy on disk).

Witnesses are recommended to limit their testimony to a five-minute oral summary of their statements. The full statement will be included in the printed record of the hearing.

If you need special accommodations, please contact Jimmy Miller at (202) 225-4472 at least four days before the hearing.

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If you or your staff have any questions, please contact John Cullather, Staff Director of the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, at (202) 226-6861. His facsimile number is (202) 226-8068.

I look forward to your testimony.

Sincerely,

Elijah E. Cummings  
Chair  
Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime  
Transportation