



CRUISE LINES  
INTERNATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION, INC

February 16, 2010

Ms. Karen V. Gregory  
Secretary  
Federal Maritime Commission  
800 North Capitol Street, NW -- Room 1046  
Washington, DC 20573-001

**RE: Request to Testify at March 3 *Passenger Vessel Financial Responsibility* Hearing.**

Dear Ms. Gregory:

Cruise Lines International Association (CLIA) requests the opportunity to testify at the Federal Maritime Commission's March 3 public hearing on the *Passenger Vessel Financial Responsibility* program. CLIA is North America's largest cruise industry organization, representing the vast majority of cruise lines embarking passengers in the United States. A number of CLIA members are subject to passenger vessel operator financial responsibility requirements under Public Law 89-777 (46 U.S.C. 44101-44106) and the Commission's regulations (46 CFR Section 540). With a membership of 25 cruise lines, and 16,000 affiliated travel agencies, CLIA is the voice of the cruise industry in the United States. CLIA member lines include U.S. and foreign-flag operators with vessels ranging in size from 50 to 5,400 passengers.

CLIA's witnesses will be:

Mr. Terry L. Dale  
President and CEO  
Cruise Lines International Association  
910 SE 17th Street, 4th Floor  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316  
(754) 224-2201



CRUISE LINES  
INTERNATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION, INC

J. Michael Cavanaugh (counsel to CLIA)  
Holland & Knight LLP  
2099 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington DC 20006  
(202) 828-5084

Please contact Ms. Tandy Bondi, Partner, Alcalde and Fay, regarding this request. Her office number is (703) 527-2723 and her e-mail address is [Bondi@alcalde-fay.com](mailto:Bondi@alcalde-fay.com).

We appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terry J. Dale". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Terry Dale  
President and CEO  
Cruise Lines International Association