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Solution Description :
   In accordance with the provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, the FCC eliminated the individual radio station licensing requirement for certain ships operating domestically. See website http://wireless.fcc.gov/services/index.htm?job=about&id=ship_stations.

   Ships operating domestically that are not required by law or treaty to carry a radio on the vessel, do not travel to foreign ports (i.e. Canada, Mexico, Bahamas, and British Virgin Islands), and do not use marine radio equipment on board the vessel other than Marine VHF radios EPIRBs (Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon) or radar, are not required to renew their current license.

   To determine if you require an FCC Ship Radio Station License, answer the following questions:

   Are you required by law or treaty to carry a radio on your vessel?
   Does your vessel travel to foreign ports?
   Do you have marine radio equipment on board your vessel other than marine VHF radios, EPIRBs (Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon), or radar?

   If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, you must apply for a FCC Ship Radio Station License. If you answered "No" to all of these questions, then you do not require a license. If you are required to obtain the ship license you will also need to obtain a restricted operators permit (RR). See website http://wireless.fcc.gov/commoperators/rp.html for more information on the requirements for the permit.

   Electronic filers need to utilize the following website: http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls. If you do not have a FCC Registration Number (FRN), click "Register" under the New User tab. Continue through the steps until you receive a FRN then proceed to Online Filing.

   "Log In", under the Online Filing heading, with your FRN and password. If you do not have your password and you have previously set a Personal Security Question (PSQ) go to web site http://esupport.fcc.gov/password.htm select Reset Password. Enter your FRN and answer the PSQ which will allow you to reset your password. If you have not set the PSQ go to web site http://esupport.fcc.gov/index.htm and submit a reset password form or call (877) 480-3201 for assistance.
   On the "My Licenses" screen, click the link Apply for a New License.
   Select Radio Service SA or SB-Ship License.
   Answer the questions on the following screens. Navigate through each screen by clicking on the Continue button.
   Review the certification statements and sign your application by typing your name in the appropriate boxes. Then, click submit button. We recommend that you print

a copy of the "Application confirmation" page which includes the application file number.

If any application fees are due, ULS will calculate those fees. Fees for online filing MUST be received within 10 calendar days of the filing. Click "Continue For Payment Options" button to make selection of "Pay By Credit Card" or "View Form 159".   FCC highly recommends online electronic payment, by credit card, using our secure website.   If you are paying manually using FCC Form 159 (Remittance Advice), send the application package to: Federal Communications Commission, P.O. Box 979097, St. Louis, MO 63197-9000. Hand or courier delivery only to: U.S. Bank, Attn: FCC Government Lockbox #979097, SL-MO-C2-GL, 1005 Convention Plaza, St. Louis, MO 63101.

For a manual filing use the FCC 605 Main Form ?Quick-Form Application for Authorization in the Ship, Aircraft, Amateur, Restricted and Commercial Operator, and General Mobile Radio Services?, 605 Schedule B? Additional Data for the Ship Radio Service (Part 80)?and Form 159 ?Remittance Advice Form? are required. If you currently do not have an FCC Registration Number (FRN), Form 160 CORES Registration would also be needed for a manual filing. These forms can be obtained via web site: www.fcc.gov/formpage.html. The entire application package should be sent to: Federal Communications Commission, P. O. Box 979097, St. Louis, MO 63197-9000.

Should you have any further questions, or need additional information, please submit a request through http://esupport.fcc.gov/index.htm or call the ULS Customer Support Hotline at 1-877-480-3201 and select option 2 at the main menu recording.