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USCG – draft guidance re LNG as fuel



The US Coast Guard issued a notice stating that it seeks comments on draft policy letters regarding use of liquefied natural gas (LNG) as a marine fuel. The first draft policy letter provides voluntary guidance for LNG fuel transfer operations and training of personnel on those vessels. The second draft policy letter discusses guidance and regulations applicable to vessels and facilities conducting LNG marine fuel transfer operations. Comments should be submitted by 10 March. **79 Fed. Reg. 7470** (February 7, 2014).

EPA – electronic manifests for hazardous waste



The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) promulgated a final rule establishing requirements that will authorize use of electronic manifests (e-

Manifests) as a means to track off-site shipments of hazardous waste from a generator's site to the site of the receipt and disposition of the waste. The rule comes into effect on 6 August. [79 Fed. Reg. 7517](#) (February 7, 2014).

Florida – Royal Netherlands warship rescues suspected migrants



The US Coast Guard issued a [news release](#) stating that the Royal Netherlands Navy offshore patrol vessel Zeeland rescued seven people from atop an overturned 24-foot vessel and recovered three bodies from within the hull of the vessel in waters of the North Atlantic approximately 75 miles northeast of West Palm Beach, Florida. The individuals are suspected migrants. The US Coast Guard is responding. (2/6/14).

BSEE & USCG – quarterly meetings re OCS activities



The Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) issued a [press release](#) stating that its regional office in New Orleans hosted the year's first quarterly meeting with personnel from the Eighth Coast Guard District. The quarterly meetings are designed to promote interagency consistency in the regulation of outer continental shelf (OCS) activities, facilities, and units under the respective jurisdiction of the two agencies. (2/6/14).

OFAC – Foreign Sanctions Evaders List



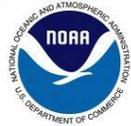
The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) posted its [Foreign Sanctions Evaders List](#). Persons and entities on the FSE List may also have been designated a Specially Designated Nationals (SDNs). Persons subject to United States jurisdiction are generally prohibited from engaging in economic activity with persons or entities on either list. (2/6/14).

Great Lakes – National Maritime Strategy



The Department of Transportation (DOT) issued a [news release](#) stating that the Acting Maritime Administrator Paul "Chip" Jaenichen attended the Great Lakes Waterways Conference in Cleveland to receive input on the National Maritime Strategy. Among the topics discussed was the use of liquefied natural gas (LNG) as a marine fuel. (2/6/14).

Puerto Rico – high levels of pollutants in Guanica Bay



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) issued a [news release](#) stating that pollutant measurements in the sediments of Guanica Bay on the south coast of Puerto Rico were among the highest concentrations of PCBs, chlordane, chromium, and nickel ever measured by that agency and represent a serious toxic threat to corals, fish, and benthic fauna. (2/6/14).

House – bill introduced re aquatic invasive species



Representative Miller (R-MI) introduced the [Defending Against Aquatic Invasive Species Act of 2014](#) (H.R. 4001) to authorize the Secretary of the Army to carry out certain activities to prevent the interbasin transfer of aquatic invasive species between the Great Lakes and Mississippi River, and for other purposes. (2/5/14).

House – Coast Guard & Maritime Transportation bill introduced



The House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure issued a [press release](#) stating that Committee leaders have introduced the [Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2014](#) (H.R. 4005). The bill is intended to authorize the Coast Guard to carry out its vital missions, improve USCG mission effectiveness, replace and modernize aging Coast Guard assets, enhance oversight, and reduce inefficiencies. (2/6/14).

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