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USCG – Marine casualty reporting numbers



The US Coast Guard posted the article “[Marine casualty reporting numbers](http://www.brymar-consulting.com/wp-content/uploads/Misc/Marine_casualty_reporting_numbers-141124.pdf)” [located at http://www.brymar-consulting.com/wp-content/uploads/Misc/Marine_casualty_reporting_numbers-141124.pdf] discussing the agency's marine casualty reporting requirements and its efforts to clarify the situations for which reports must be submitted. (11/24/14).

Offshore Massachusetts – wind energy lease sale



The Department of the Interior (DOI) issued a [press release](http://www.doi.gov/news/pressreleases/interior-to-auction-more-than-742-thousand-acres-offshore-massachusetts-for-wind-energy-development.cfm) [located at <http://www.doi.gov/news/pressreleases/interior-to-auction-more-than-742-thousand-acres-offshore-massachusetts-for-wind-energy-development.cfm>] stating that more than 742,000 acres of federal submerged land offshore

Massachusetts will be auctioned for wind energy development in a 29 January 2015 competitive lease sale. (11/24/14).

Redwood City – harbor navigation improvement



The US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) issued a notice stating that it intends to initiate the scoping process for the preparation of an integrated Feasibility Report and Environmental Impact Statement for proposed improvements to the existing navigation project at Redwood City Harbor and San Bruno Shoal. A public scoping meeting will be held in Redwood City, California on 10 December. Written comments should be received by 15 December. **79 Fed. Reg. 70168** [located at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-11-25/pdf/2014-27787.pdf>] (11/25/14).

Somalia – training of port police



NATO issued a **news release** [located at <http://www.aco.nato.int/nato-continues-training-of-somali-port-police.aspx>] stating that Task Force 508 of the Ocean Shield counter-piracy operation is continuing its effort to build regional capacity through training of Somali Boosaaso Port Police. (11/24/14).

Paris MOU – vessel banned for two years



The Paris MOU issued a **press release** [located at <https://www.parismou.org/3rd-ban-mv-mansour-m-due-jump-detention>] stating that a third refusal of access order has been issued with regard to the MV Mansour M (Republic of Moldova registry – IMO number 7600586) after it jumped detention in the anchorage of Rhodes on 3 November. The vessel was initially banned by Greece in 2011 and a second time by Slovenia in 2013. The period of refusal of access this time will be 24 months. (11/24/14).

Denmark – lighthouses now free of mercury



The Danish Maritime Authority (DMA) issued a **news release** [located at <http://www.dma.dk/news/Sider/DanishMaritimeAuthority%E2%80%99slighthousesarenowmercury-free.aspx>] stating that all Danish lighthouses are now free of mercury. Traditionally, the revolving light mechanisms in lighthouses were “floated” in a bath of mercury, which is a hazardous substance. Now, most

Danish lights have been converted to LED. For historic lights, mechanical means were used to replace the mercury. (11/21/14).

Hong Kong – telex service to end



The Hong Kong Marine Department issued a **notice** [located at <http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/notices/pdf/mdn14150.pdf>] stating that, effective 31 December, the telex numbers of the Department will be terminated. (11/24/14). *Note: The end of an era. The international switched network for teleprinters was developed in the 1930s but has been overwhelmed by the internet.*

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