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## **USCG – meeting re dynamic positioning systems**



The US Coast Guard issued a notice stating that it will host a public meeting on 31 March in New Orleans to receive comments on its proposed rulemaking entitled “Requirements for MODUs and Other Vessels Conducting Outer Continental Shelf Activities with dynamic positioning systems. **80 Fed. Reg. 12784** [located at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-03-11/pdf/2015-05551.pdf>] (3/11/15).

## **SLSDC Advisory Board – meeting**



The Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation Advisory Board will meet via teleconference on 23 March. **80 Fed. Reg. 12843** [located at ] (3/11/15). <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-03-11/pdf/2015-05524.pdf>

## USCG – Proceedings magazine



The **Spring 2015** edition of the USCG Proceedings of the Marine Safety & Security Council [located at <http://www.uscg.mil/proceedings/>] has been posted. This edition focuses on the National Strike Force (NSF), the Coast Guard’s “any time, any place, any hazard” response team, and related issues. (3/10/15).

## New Zealand – MNZ performance expectations



Maritime New Zealand (MNZ) posted its **Statement of Performance Expectations 2014-2015** [located at <http://www.maritimenz.govt.nz/Publications-and-forms/Maritime-NZ-corporate-publications/MNZ-Statement-of-Performance-Expectations-2014-2015.pdf>]. The statement contains a collection of key indicators that measure the overall quality of MNZ’s operational activities and services to enable it to achieve its strategic goals. (3/11/15).

## Japanese earthquake & tsunami – 11 March 2011



On 11 March 2011, at 1446 JST, a magnitude 9.0 earthquake occurred beneath the seafloor in the Pacific Ocean 70 kilometers east of the Oshika Peninsula of Tohoku Prefecture on the main Japanese island of Honshu. It was the most powerful earthquake to hit Japan in modern times, moving the island 2.4 meters east and shifting the entire planet on its axis by about 15 centimeters. The earthquake triggered a tsunami that reached heights of up to 40 meters when it struck shore. The event resulted in over 15,000 deaths, numerous injuries, and massive property damage. Most dramatic, it set off a chain of events that resulted in a significant radiation leak at a nuclear power plant. Much debris floated out to sea and has been gradually coming ashore at points throughout the North Pacific region.

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