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## **BOEM – Chukchi Sea Exploration Plan**



The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) issued a **press release** [located at <http://www.boem.gov/presso4102015/>] stating that it has received from Shell Gulf of Mexico, Inc. a revised multi-year **Exploration Plan** for proposed exploratory drilling in shallow waters of the Chukchi Sea outer continental shelf (OCS). BOEM has begun preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) of the proposal. Comments on any issues that BOEM should consider in preparing the EA must be received by 20 April. Comments on the revised EP must be received by 1 May. (4/10/15).

## **FERC – Lake Charles Liquefaction Project**



The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued a **notice** [located at <http://www.ferc.gov/industries/gas/enviro/eis/2015/04-10-15-eis.asp>] stating that it seeks public comment on the draft environmental impact

statement (EIS) for the Lake Charles Liquefaction Project. Comments must be received by 1 June. (4/10/15).

### St. Lawrence Seaway – transit restrictions lifted



The Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway System issued a notice stating that the transit restrictions (draft and power to length ratio) outlined in Seaway Notice 3-2015 no longer apply. **Seaway Notice 10-2015** [located at <http://www.greatlakes-seaway.com/en/pdf/navigation/notice20150410.pdf>] (4/10/15).

### St. Lawrence Seaway – pilot embarkation



The Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway System issued a notice stating that, effective immediately, vessels from the inland fleet equipped with Seaway gangways or electric ladders have accepted to use their equipment and crew to assist with pilot embarking/disembarking at the designated Canadian pilot exchange points within the Seaway. **Seaway Notice 11-2015** [located at <http://www.greatlakes-seaway.com/en/pdf/navigation/notice20150410b.pdf>] (4/10/15).

### USCGA – President to deliver commencement address



The US Coast Guard issued a **news release** [located at <http://www.uscgnews.com/go/doc/4007/2489570/>] stating that President Barack Obama is scheduled to deliver the keynote address during the US Coast Guard Academy's 134th Commence Exercises on 20 May in New London, Connecticut. (4/10/15).

### USCG – vessels arriving from Libya



The US Coast Guard announced that, effective 24 April, it is imposing conditions of entry on vessels arriving in the United States after having called at any port in Libya, during their last five port calls. In summary, each affected vessel must: (1) implement the Security Level 2 measures from its ship security plan while in a Libyan port; (2) ensure that each access point is guarded and that guards have total visibility of the exterior of the vessel while in a Libyan port; (3) attempt to execute a Declaration of Security while in a Libyan port; (4) log all security actions; and (5) report actions taken to the pertinent USCG Captain of the Port [COTP] prior to arrival in the US. **80 Fed. Reg. 19334** [located at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-04-10/pdf/2015-08348.pdf>] (4/10/15). *Note: Friday's newsletter included several typos, which caught the attention of a number of long-suffering readers, myself excluded.*

## Canada – tanker safety system report



The Government of Canada issued a [news release](#) [located at <http://news.gc.ca/web/article-en.do?nid=959979>] announcing the release of the second report of the independent Tanker Safety Expert Panel. This **Phase II Report** addresses requirements for the Arctic and for hazardous and noxious substances nationally, as well as a recommendation on the management of marine casualty incidents. (4/8/15).

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