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USCG – parasail risk reduction



The US Coast Guard issued a safety alert regarding risks involving in parasailing. Owners, operators, and crew members are reminded to review and comply with equipment instructions, particularly with regard to the proper fitting of the “seat type” body harness, which is used to support a parasail passenger while in flight. **Alert 07-15** [located at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg5/cg545/alerts/0715.pdf>] (8/19/15).

USCG – notice of arrival requirement



The US Coast Guard issued a notice stating that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved the information collection request

associated with the notice of arrival requirements in the final rule entitled “Vessel Requirements for Notices of Arrival and Departure, and Automatic Identification System” which was promulgated on 30 January. **80 Fed. Reg. 50576** [located at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-08-20/pdf/2015-20607.pdf>] (8/20/15).

CBP – export manifest for vessel cargo test



The Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued a notice stating that it plans to conduct the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) Export Manifest for Vessel Cargo Test beginning not earlier than 21 September and continuing for approximately two years. This will be a voluntary program in which participants agree to submit export manifest data to CBP electronically at least 24 hours prior to loading. **80 Fed. Reg. 50644** [located at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-08-20/pdf/2015-20614.pdf>] (8/20/15).

NOAA – marine mammal stock assessment reports



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) issued a notice stating that it has revised the Marine Mammal Stock Assessment Reports to incorporate public comments. **80 Fed. Reg. 50599** [located at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-08-20/pdf/2015-20502.pdf>] (8/20/15).

USCG – CGSIC meeting



The US Coast Guard issued a **notice** stating that the 55th meeting of the Civil GPS Service Interface Committee (CGSIC) will be held in Tampa on September 14-15 in conjunction with the Institute of Navigation’s Global Navigation Satellite System conference. (8/19/15).

DOS – preparation for IMO meeting



The Department of State (DOS) issued a notice stating that a meeting will be held on 2 September in Washington, DC to prepare for the upcoming session of the IMO Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers. Topics on the agenda include development of guidelines for low-flashpoint fuels; carriage of liquefied hydrogen in bulk; and guidelines for packing of cargo transport units. **80 Fed. Reg. 50375** [located at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-08-19/pdf/2015-20490.pdf>] (8/19/15).

Senate – bill introduced re oil spill response



Senator Nelson (D-FL) introduced the **Caribbean Oil Spill Intervention, Prevention, and Preparedness Act** (S. 1999) [located at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-114s1999is/pdf/BILLS-114s1999is.pdf>] to authorize the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating to act, without liability for certain damages, to prevent and respond to the threat of damage from pollution of the sea by crude oil, and for other purposes. (8/5/15).

China – maritime dangerous goods safety



The Chinese Maritime Safety Administration (MSA) issued a **notice** [located at <http://www.msa.gov.cn/Notice/Notice/447847a0-c8fo-4174-b52b-60d4c8b00510>] stating that it has begun an initiative to strengthen its supervision of maritime dangerous goods transport safety. (8/19/15).

Singapore – Ship Security Alert System



The Singapore Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) issued a circular reminding owners, operators, and masters of the requirement for annual testing of the Ship Security Alert System (SSAS) and advising of a change in the dedicated email address for receiving SSAS alerts from Singapore ships. **Shipping Circular 15-2015** [located at http://www.mpa.gov.sg/sites/circulars_and_notices/pdfs/shipping_circulars/sc_no_15_of_2015.pdf] (8/20/15).

Singapore – Maritime Safety Forum 2015



The Singapore Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) issued a **news release** [located at http://www.mpa.gov.sg/sites/global_navigation/news_center/mpa_news/mpa_news_detail.page?filename=nr150819.xml] stating that the Maritime Safety Forum 2015 is being held in Singapore on 17-21 August. Experts from the MSA and industry share and promote practices on navigation, shipboard safety, and passenger vessel safety, as well as on legal and insurance aspects. (8/19/15).

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