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## **USCG – MTSA effectiveness**



The US Coast Guard posted an article on [MTSA Effectiveness](#). The article analyzes how effectively USCG inspectors and the operators of regulated facilities have implemented and incorporated the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (MTSA). (6/13/16) [<http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg5/cg544/docs/MTSA%20Effectiveness.pdf>].

## **USCG – Sector Maryland-National Capital Region**



The US Coast Guard promulgated a final rule, effective immediately, changing the name of Sector Baltimore to Sector Maryland-National Capital Region. [81 Fed. Reg. 38592](#) (6/14/16) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-06-14/pdf/2016-13983.pdf>].

## USCG – CRADA re outboard diesel engine technology



The US Coast Guard issued a notice announcing that it intends to enter into a cooperative research and development agreement (CRADA) with Cox Powertrain to evaluate and test the advantages, disadvantages, required technology enhancements, performance, costs, and other issues associated with diesel outboard engine technology. Comments must be submitted by 14 July. **81 Fed. Reg. 38725** (6/14/16) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-06-14/pdf/2016-14074.pdf>].

## USCG – CRADA re laser eye protection



The US Coast Guard issued a notice announcing that it intends to enter into a cooperative research and development agreement (CRADA) with Metamaterials Technologies USA Inc. to evaluate and test the advantages, disadvantages, required technology enhancements, performance, costs, and other issues associated with laser eye protection technology. Comments must be submitted by 24 June. **81 Fed. Reg. 38726** (6/14/16) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-06-14/pdf/2016-14038.pdf>].

## USCG – CRADA re small unmanned aircraft



The US Coast Guard issued a notice announcing that it intends to enter into a cooperative research and development agreement (CRADA) with several companies to evaluate small unmanned aircraft systems and their airborne sensors to determine their potential for use in a maritime environment by a first responder and Department of Homeland Security operational components. Comments must be submitted by 14 July. **81 Fed. Reg. 38723** (6/14/16) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-06-14/pdf/2016-14073.pdf>].

## NOAA – marine mammal stock assessment reports



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) issued a notice announcing the availability of the revised marine mammal stock

assessment reports for 2015. [81 Fed. Reg. 38676](#) (6/14/16)  
[<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-06-14/pdf/2016-14015.pdf>].

## **BTS – Port Performance Freight Statistics Working Group**



The Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) issued a notice stating that the Port Performance Freight Statistics Working Group will meet in Washington, DC on 15 July to provide advice and recommendations on matters related to port performance measures. [81 Fed. Reg. 38773](#) (6/14/16)  
[<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-06-14/pdf/2016-13991.pdf>].

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