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Delaware Bay & River – anchorage grounds



The US Coast Guard proposes to amend the anchorage regulations for Delaware Bay and River. Comments on the proposal must be received by 15 August. **81 Fed. Reg. 46026** (7/15/16) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-07-15/pdf/2016-16714.pdf>].

USCG – proposed changes to MSM



The US Coast Guard issued a notice stating that it seeks comments on draft revisions to the USCG Marine Safety Manual (MSM), Volume III regarding marine industry personnel. Comments must be received by 13 September. **81 Fed. Reg. 46042** (7/15/16) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-07-15/pdf/2016-16691.pdf>].

BSEE & BOEM – Arctic OCS drilling



The Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) and the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) promulgated a joint final rule revising the regulations applicable to exploratory drilling on the Arctic outer continental shelf (OCS). The regulations enter into effect on 13 September. **81 Fed. Reg. 46477** (7/15/16) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-07-15/pdf/2016-15699.pdf>].

MARAD – Delfin LNG DWP DEIS



The Maritime Administration (MARAD) issued a notice stating that a draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) has been prepared relating to the proposed Delfin LNG deepwater port (DWP) license application. The application proposes construction and operation of an LNG export facility in waters of the Gulf of Mexico off Cameron Parish, Louisiana. Public meetings will be held in Cameron (9 August) and Beaufort (10 August). Written comments must be received by 29 August. **81 Fed. Reg. 46157** (7/15/16) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-07-15/pdf/2016-16540.pdf>].

USACE – Inland Waterways Users Board



The US Army Corps of Engineers seeks nominations for membership on the Inland Waterways Users Board (IWUB). Nominations must be received by 1 September. **81 Fed. Reg. 46068** (7/15/16) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-07-15/pdf/2016-16540.pdf>].

Senate – bill introduced to reauthorize NTSB



Senator Merkley (D-OR) introduced a bill (S. 3187) to increase the authorization of the National Transportation Safety Board through fiscal year 2020, to require the NTSB to investigate major oil and other hazardous materials derailments, to expand the Secretary of Transportation's emergency order authority, and to require the Secretary of Transportation to establish a volatility standard for crude oil transported by rail. Official text of the bill is not yet available, but Senator Merkley issued a [press release](#) explaining the measure. (7/13/16) [<https://www.merkley.senate.gov/news/press-releases/merkley-wyden-introduce-legislation-to-address-oil-train-derailments>].

India – shipbuilding financial assistance policy



The Indian Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) issued the [Guidelines](#) for Implementation of the Shipbuilding Financial Assistance Policy. (7/4/16) [http://dgshipping.gov.in/WriteReadData/News/201607141154459866824shippingbuilding_financial_asstance_policy_04072016.pdf].

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