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MARAD – USMMA Board of Visitors meeting



The Maritime Administration (MARAD) issued a notice stating that the US Merchant Marine Academy Board of Visitors will meet on 14 November at King's Point, New York. The purpose of the meeting is to brief members on the State of the Academy and the Sea Year Stand Down. **81 Fed.**

Reg. 76412 (11/2/16) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-11-02/pdf/2016-26391.pdf>].

GAO – supply chain information



The Government Accountability Office (GAO) issued a report on supply chain information. The report found that efforts of port stakeholders to address infrastructure and operations constraints can be hampered by competing priorities and limited data. The report recommends that, in developing a freight data strategy, the Department of Transportation (DOT) should identify: what supply chain information is needed; potential sources of that information; data gaps; and how it intends to utilize the information to inform freight efforts.

GAO-17-23 (10/31/16) [<http://www.gao.gov/assets/690/680719.pdf>].

Panama Canal – environmental efficiency rebates



The Panama Canal Authority (ACP) issued an advisory announcing that, beginning on 1 January 2017, toll rebates will be offered to transiting vessels with a good environmental performance. **Advisory 58-2016** (10/31/16) [<https://www.pancanal.com/common/maritime/advisories/2016/a-58-2016.pdf>].

Singapore – amendments to radio regulations



The Singapore Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) issued a circular regarding implementation of amendments to the radio regulations concerning the revised maritime frequencies and channeling arrangements. **Shipping Circular 23-2016** (11/1/16) [<http://www.mpa.gov.sg/web/portal/home/port-of-singapore/circulars-and-notices/detail/913ac880-aa66-4747-boee-09c36b996cee>].

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