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St. Marys River – bulker refloated



The US Coast Guard issued a news release stating that the grounded bulker Calumet has been refloated and the St. Marys River has been reopened to marine traffic. The incident is under investigation. (8/12/17) [].

USCG – Ecochlor BWMS type approval certificate



The US Coast Guard issued a **bulletin** updating the Ecochlor ballast water management system (BWMS) type approval certificate. (8/11/17) [<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2017/08/11/8112017-marine-safety->

center-issues-update-to-ecochlors-ballast-water-management-system-type-approval-certificate/].

Port Arthur – waterway suitability assessment



The US Coast Guard issued a notice stating Lynx Terminals LLC submitted a Letter of Intent and Preliminary Waterway Suitability Assessment regarding plans to handle and transport liquefied hazardous gas (LHG) at Port Arthur. Comments on assessment must be received by 13 September. **82 Fed. Reg. 37887** (8/14/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-08-14/pdf/2017-17106.pdf>].

DOS – meeting re CCC 4



The Department of State (DOS) issued a notice accounting a public meeting on 30 August in Washington, DC to prepare for the upcoming session of the IMO Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers (CCC 4). Topics on the agenda include amendments to the IMSBC Code and supplements and amendments to the IMDG Code and supplements. **82 Fed. Reg. 37976** (8/14/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-08-14/pdf/2017-17111.pdf>].

CBP – export manifest for vessel cargo test



The US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued a notice announcing modification of the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) Export Manifest for Vessel Cargo Test by making certain of the export manifest data elements optional. CBP is also extending the test and will be accepting additional applications for participation from all parties meeting the eligibility requirements. The modifications enter into effect immediately. **82 Fed. Reg. 37890** (8/14/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-08-14/pdf/2017-17079.pdf>].

St. Lawrence Seaway – tug at Iroquois Lock



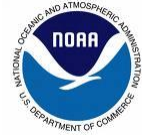
The Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway System issued a notice stating that, following the recent decrease in outflow from Lake Ontario, the tug will no longer be available for assistance with the approach at Iroquois Lock. **Seaway Notice 20-2017** (8/11/17) [<http://www.greatlakes-seaway.com/en/pdf/navigation/notice20170811.pdf>].

St. Lawrence Seaway – maximum permissible draft



The Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway System issued a notice stating that, effective immediately and until further notice, the maximum permissible draft in the Montreal-Lake Ontario section will be 80.8 dm (26'-6") for all vessels. **Seaway Notice 21-2017** (8/11/17) [<http://www.greatlakes-seaway.com/en/pdf/navigation/notice20170811b.pdf>].

NOAA – tracking sea level rise and fall



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) posted a **5-part bulletin** on tracking sea level rise and fall. (8/10/17) [<http://www.noaa.gov/explainers/tracking-sea-level-riseand-fall>]. *Note: Long suffering readers may recall my recent article on this topic – **Sea level in its many aspects**.*

Gulf of St. Lawrence – speed reduction



Transport Canada issued a **news release** stating that, with immediate effect, vessels transiting the western Gulf of St. Lawrence may not exceed a speed of 10 knots in order to protect the critically endangered North Atlantic right whales which have become increasingly present in those waters. (8/11/17) [https://www.canada.ca/en/transport-canada/news/2017/08/statement_by_ministersgarneauandleblanconactionstakentoaddressth.html].

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