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Houston – urban SAR update



The US Coast Guard issued a [news release](#) updating its urban search and rescue (SAR) operations in the Houston area. As of 1:45 pm Houston time, the Coast Guard had rescued more than 4,361 individuals and 113 pets, utilizing 21 helicopters and nine flood punt teams with 26 shallow-draft vessels.

(8/30/17)

[<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDHSCG/bulletins/1b415c0>].

Port Arthur – urban search and rescue



The US Coast Guard issued a [news release](#) stating that urban search and rescue efforts have expanded to the Port Arthur area. (8/30/17)

[<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDHSCG/bulletins/1b42bcb>].

USCG – Great Lakes Pilotage rates



The US Coast Guard promulgated a final rule setting new Great Lakes Pilotage rates for the 2017 shipping season as well as updating its methodology for setting these rates in the future. The rule enters into effect on 2 October. [82 Fed. Reg. 41466](#) (8/31/17) [].

IMO – World Maritime Day 2017



The IMO issued a **notice** stating that World Maritime Day 2017 will be celebrated at IMO on 28 September. The theme this year is ‘Connecting Ships, Ports, and People’. (8/30/17) [<http://www.imo.org/en/About/Events/WorldMaritimeDay/Pages/WMD-2017.aspx>].

Singapore – non-renewal of bunker licenses



The Singapore Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) issued a **news release** stating that it will not be renewing the bunker supplier licenses of Panoil Petroleum Pte Ltd and Universal Energy Pte Ltd when they expire on 31 August 2017. The bunker craft operator license of Universal Energy Pte Ltd will also not be renewed. Both companies will no longer be allowed to operate as a bunker supplier and bunker craft operator in the Port of Singapore due to improper activities. (8/30/17) [<http://www.mpa.gov.sg/web/portal/home/media-centre/news-releases/detail/1a614719-cc31-4ce9-ac75-84fb6dbe78b4>].

UK – offshore renewable energy installations



The UK Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) issued **guidance** regarding offshore renewable energy installations (OREIs) and their impact on shipping. (8/30/17) [<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/offshore-renewable-energy-installations-impact-on-shipping>].

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