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USCG – cyber security awareness



The US Coast Guard issued a **bulletin** reminding stakeholders that October is Cyber Security Awareness Month and providing links to various maritime cybersecurity resources. (10/2/17)
[<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2017/10/02/1022017-october-national-cyber-security-awareness-month/>].

Puerto Rico & USVI – updated port status



The **news release** updating that port status for Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands. (10/2/17)
[<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDHSCG/bulletins/1bab453>].

USCG – seventh BWMS type approval application



The US Coast Guard issued a **bulletin** stating that Purimar Ballast Water Management System submitted an application seeking Ballast Water Management System (BWMS) type approval. This is the seventh such application received from various manufacturers. (10/2/17)
[<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2017/10/02/1022017-seventh-application-received-for-bwms-type-approval/>].

USCG – TVNCOE website



The website for the USCG Towing Vessel National Center of Expertise (**TVNCOE**) has relocated. (9/29/17) [<http://www.dco.uscg.mil/tvncoe/>].

Port Canaveral – security zone expansion



The US Coast Guard proposes to expand the boundaries of the security zone in Port Canaveral Harbor adjacent to Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. Comments must be received by 3 November. **82 Fed. Reg. 46007** (10/3/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-10-03/pdf/2017-21230.pdf>].

USCG – Belfast, ME anchorage areas



The US Coast Guard proposes to establish two special anchorage areas in the Passagassawakeag River in the vicinity of Belfast, Maine. Comments must be received by 4 December. **82 Fed. Reg. 46004** (10/3/17)
[<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-10-03/pdf/2017-21231.pdf>].

SLSDC – Advisory Board meeting on 30 October



The Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (SLSDC) Advisory Board will meet on 30 October in Milwaukee. **82 Fed. Reg. 46120** (10/3/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-10-03/pdf/2017-21155.pdf>].

CBP – Jones Act waiver guidance



The US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) posted **guidance** for parties seeking a waiver of the Jones Act. (9/28/17) [<https://www.cbp.gov/trade/jones-act-waiver-request>]. *Note: This item was brought to my attention by my good friend Jon Waldron of **Blank Rome LLP**.*

US – 2017 Federal Radionavigation Plan



The **2017 Federal Radionavigation Plan** has been posted. The plan includes a discussion of GPS backup options. (10/2/17) [<https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/FederalRadioNavigationPlan2017.pdf>].

UK – MAIB safety digest



The UK Marine Accident Investigation Branch (MAIB) posted its safety digest including lessons to be learned from recent marine casualties. **Safety Digest 2/2017** (10/2/17) [https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/648760/MAIBSD2-17.pdf].

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