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UK – navigation safety.

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USCG – foreign rebuild determination



The USCG National Vessel Documentation Center (NVDC) issued a **Determination Letter** stating that the work to be performed in a foreign shipyard to convert two vessels owned by TOTE Maritime Alaska to operate on liquified natural gas (LNG) will not adversely affect their eligibility to operate in the coastwise trade. (11/27/17)

[<http://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/NVDC/TOTE%20Maritime.pdf?ver=2017-11-27-140241-003>].

USCG – US build determination



The USCG National Vessel Documentation Center (NVDC) issued a **Determination Letter** confirming that the fishing vessel Blue North is deemed to

have been built in the United States despite having a small quantity of foreign-sourced steel. (11/21/17)

[[http://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/NVDC/BLUE%20NO RTH.pdf?ver=2017-11-22-073636-670](http://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/NVDC/BLUE%20NO%20RTH.pdf?ver=2017-11-22-073636-670)].

USCG – ballast water management



The US Coast Guard posted a **bulletin** providing the Coast Guard perspective on ballast water management. (11/27/17)

[<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2017/11/26/11272017-new-ballast-water-series-from-coast-guards-assistant-commandant-for-prevention-policy/>].

Note: This is the first of a five-part series.

St. Lawrence Seaway – closing 31 December



The Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway System issued a notice announcing that all vessels must clear the Montreal-Lake Ontario section by 1200 hours on 31 December. **Seaway Notice 26-2017** (11/21/17)

[<http://www.greatlakes-seaway.com/en/pdf/navigation/notice20171121.pdf>].

Canada – cumulative effects of marine shipping



Transport Canada issued a **news release** stating that it will commence the five-year Cumulative Effects of Marine Shipping initiative to allow the marine safety system to be better equipped to support the marine shipping industry and protect the marine environment and coastal communities. (11/24/17)

[https://www.canada.ca/en/transport-canada/news/2017/11/government_of_canadatoassesstheenvironmentaleffectsofmarinanship.html].

UK – pollution prevention



The UK Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) posted **guidance** to prevent pollution and reduce harmful emissions at sea. (11/22/17)

[<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/prevent-pollution-and-reduce-harmful-emissions-at-sea>].

UK – navigation safety



The UK Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) posted **guidance** regarding navigation safety. (11/23/17)
[<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/navigation-safety-for-uk-seafarers>].

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