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## **USCG – BWMSs are not ‘plug and play’**



The US Coast Guard issued a **bulletin** advising that the installation and operation of ballast water management systems (BWMSs) on ships will require work specific to each vessel and its overall situation. Owners and operators should not expect that ‘plug and play’ will be appropriate. (11/30/17) [<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2017/11/30/11302017-ballast-water-series-part-4-the-plug-and-play-ballast-water-management-system/>].

## **USCG – Arctic Shipping Summit**



The US Coast Guard issued a **bulletin** providing a summary of the keynote address at the recent Arctic Shipping Summit in London. (12/1/17)

[<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2017/12/01/1212017-summary-of-keynote-address-at-11th-annual-arctic-shipping-summit/>].

### FERC – Calcasieu Pass Project



The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued a notice stating that it received applications for the Calcasieu Pass Project, which proposes to construct and operate, among other things, a liquefied natural gas (LNG) export facility near Lake Charles, Louisiana.. **82 Fed. Reg. 57440** (12/5/17) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-12-05/pdf/2017-26139.pdf>].

### Court – union contract not reviewed piecemeal



In an *en banc* decision, the US Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit overruled its previous precedent and held that a union contract freely entered into by a seafarer – a contract that includes rates of maintenance, cure, and unearned wages – will not be reviewed piecemeal by courts unless there is evidence of unfairness in the collective bargaining process. **Joyce v. Maersk Line Ltd**, No. 16-3553 (3rd Cir., December 4, 2017) [<http://www2.ca3.uscourts.gov/opinarch/163553p.pdf>].

### Canada – STCW 2010 Manila Convention requirements



Transport Canada issued a bulletin providing updated guidance on how to meet the STCW 2010 Manila Convention requirements. **Ship Safety Bulletin 2017-09** (11/27/17) [<http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/bulletins-2017-09-eng.htm>].

### Singapore – data collection re fuel oil consumption



The Singapore Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) issued a circular and two annexes regarding the voluntary experience building phase of the IMO data collection system for fuel oil consumption. This voluntary phase is scheduled to run from 1 January 2018 through the end of the year. **Shipping Circular 24-2017** (12/1/17) [<http://www.mpa.gov.sg/web/portal/home/port-of-singapore/circulars-and-notices/detail/21f3d001-7c34-43c1-8559-750642045dd1>].

## Singapore – safe working practice publications



The Singapore Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) issued a circular reminding vessel owners and operators that, if the vessel's Safety Management System (SMS) makes reference to relevant safe working practices code/guidelines, a copy of these code/guidelines should be made available on board. **Shipping Circular 25-2017** (12/2/17)  
[<http://www.mpa.gov.sg/web/portal/home/port-of-singapore/circulars-and-notices/detail/f3213ed5-66e9-4627-aa84-095a637a97c5>].

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