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## **Texas – gas pipeline fire update**



The US Coast Guard issued a **news release** stating that the fire on the dredging barge Jonathon King Boyd has been extinguished. The fire emanating from the damaged gas pipeline will be allowed to burn itself out. The Intracoastal Waterway and the Matagorda Ship Channel remain closed.

[<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDHSCG/bulletins/1ea99d0>]. A **second news release** states that the pipeline fire is out.

[<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDHSCG/bulletins/1eab64f>] (4/18/18).

## USCG – new marine casualty reporting forms



The US Coast Guard posted a **bulletin** advising that, following the recent rulemaking raising the property damage thresholds for reporting marine casualties, new forms have been developed to reflect those changes, specifically **CG-2692** and **CG-2692B**. (4/18/18)

[<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2018/04/18/4-18-2018-reminder-changes-to-marine-casualty-reporting-property-damage-thresholds-now-in-effect/>].

## USCG – SMFF verifications



The US Coast Guard posted a **bulletin** summarizing the first year of salvage and marine firefighting (SMFF) verifications in conjunction with the vessel response plan (VRP) program. (4/18/18)

[<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2018/04/18/4-18-2018-salvage-and-marine-firefighting-verifications-in-conjunction-with-vessel-response-plans-the-first-year/>].

## Palm Beach – security zone



The US Coast Guard promulgated a final rule establishing a security zone encompassing certain waters of the Lake Worth Lagoon, Intracoastal Waterway, and Atlantic Ocean near the Mar-A-Lago Club and the Southern Boulevard Bridge. The rule will only be enforced when persons under the protection of the Secret Service are present or expected to be present. The rule enters into effect on \_\_\_\_\_. **83 Fed. Reg. 16000** (4/19/18) [].

## DOE – Jordan Cove Energy Project



The Department of Energy (DOE) issued a notice stating that an application from Jordan Cove Energy Project for an amendment of its Conditional Authorization and application for authorization to export LNG. Comments must be filed by \_\_\_\_\_. **83 Fed. Reg. 16000** (4/19/18) [].

## DOL – LHWCA maximum & minimum compensation



The Department of Labor (DOL) promulgated a final rule implementing the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (LHWCA) provisions on maximum and minimum amounts of compensation payable. The rule enters into effect on \_\_\_\_\_. **83 Fed. Reg. 16000** (4/19/18) [].

## Canada – Arctic marine infrastructure



Transport Canada issued a **news release** stating that it is now accepting proposals from the governments of Nunavut and Northwest Territories for projects to improve the safety equipment and basic marine infrastructure in the northern territories so as to make Arctic resupply operations safer and more efficient. (4/17/18) [<https://www.canada.ca/en/transport-canada/news/2018/04/government-of-canada-is-making-arctic-re-supply-operations-safer-and-more-efficient-for-remote-northern-communities-through-the-oceans-protection-plan.html>].

## New Zealand – biofouling regulations guidance



The New Zealand Ministry for Primary Industries issued a **media release** reminding stakeholders that the biofouling regulations enter into effect on 15 May. (4/17/18) [<http://www.mpi.govt.nz/news-and-resources/media-releases/new-biofouling-guides-aim-to-stop-dirty-vessels-entering-new-zealand/>].

## Singapore – tankers collision



The Singapore Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) issued a **news release** stating that the LPG tanker Crystal Sunrise and the tanker Astro Saturn collided near the western pilot boarding ground. Both vessels incurred damage, but no injuries were reported. The Crystal Sunrise initially leaked some butane cargo, but the discharge has been stopped. The incident is under investigation. (4/17/18) [<https://www.mpa.gov.sg/web/portal/home/media-centre/news-releases/detail/792a5e0b-0e73-478c-8395-2706c024df33>].

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