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USCG – MBI re fatal duck boat casualty



The US Coast Guard issued a [news release](#) stating that the Commandant, Admiral Karl Schultz, has convened a formal Marine Board of Investigation (MBI) into the loss of the amphibious passenger vessel Stretch Duck 07, which occurred in Table Rock Lake on 19 July with 17 casualties and 14 survivors. The USCG MBI will be conducted in cooperation with the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) investigation. (8/1/18)
[<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDHSCG/bulletins/202e5eb>].

USCG – COI for Stretch Duck 07



The US Coast Guard released the **Certificate of Inspection (COI)** [redacted] for the amphibious passenger vessel Stretch Duck 07, which sank on Table Rock Lake on 19 July with 17 casualties and 14 survivors. The COI includes various operational and weather limitations. (8/1/18)
[https://media.defense.gov/2018/Aug/01/2001949364/-1/-1/o/STRETCHDUCK07COI-AMENDED16MAR2018_REDACTED.PDF].

USCG – amphibious passenger vessel operations



The US Coast Guard issued a Marine Safety Information Bulletin recommending various proactive measures to be taken to enhance the safety of amphibious passenger vessel operations. **MSIB 06-18** (8/1/18)
[https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/5p/MSIB/2018/MSIB_006_18.pdf].

USCG – approval of PFDs



The US Coast Guard issued a policy letter providing guidance for obtaining USCG approval of personal flotation devices (PFDs) that provide a level of safety at least equivalent to a PFD meeting the current regulatory requirements. The policy letter provides for utilization of ANSI/CAN/UL 12402-5 and -9 standards in this regard. **CG-ENG Policy Letter 02-18** (8/1/18)
[<https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/5p/5ps/Design%20and%20Engineering%20Standards/Life%20Saving%20and%20Fire%20Safety/Docs/L%20A%20HARM%20POLICY%2020180801-Signed.pdf?ver=2018-08-01-131843-173>].

Straits of Mackinac – RNA proposed



The US Coast Guard proposes to establish a regulated navigation area (RNA) for certain waters of the Straits of Mackinac near Mackinaw City. Comments must be received by 4 September. **83 Fed. Reg. 37780** (8/2/18)
[<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-08-02/pdf/2018-16549.pdf>].

Senate – bill introduced re amphibious passenger vessels



Senator McCaskill (D-MO) introduced a bill (S. 3301) to implement recommendations related to the safety of amphibious passenger vessels, and for other purposes. Official text of the bill is not yet available, but Senator McCaskill issued a [news release](#) explaining the measure. (7/31/18) [<https://www.mccaskill.senate.gov/media-center/news-releases/mccaskill-introduces-bill-to-improve-duck-boat-safety-implement-past-recommendations>].

Senate – bill introduced re Columbia River pinnipeds



Senator Merkley (D-OR) introduced a bill (S. 3315) to allow for the taking of pinnipeds on the Columbia River and its tributaries to protect endangered and threatened species of salmon and other nonlisted fish species. Official text of the bill is not yet available. (7/31/18).

Court – confusing designation of arbitration situs



The US Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit reversed the judgment of the district court and directed that arbitration in this charter party dispute be conducted in London under English law. [Internaves de Mexico v Andromeda Steamship](#), No. 17-12164 (11th Cir., August 1, 2018) [<http://media.ca11.uscourts.gov/opinions/pub/files/201712164.pdf>].

Paris MOU – CIC re MARPOL, Annex VI



The Paris MOU issued a [notice](#) stating that its next Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC), which will run from 1 September through 30 November 2018, will address compliance with MARPOL, Annex VI – air pollution prevention. (8/1/18) [<https://www.parismou.org/launch-joint-concentrated-inspection-campaign-marpol-annex-vi>].

Tokyo MOU – CIC re MARPOL, Annex VI



The Tokyo MOU issued a [notice](#) stating that its next Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC), which will run from 1 September through 30

November 2018, will address compliance with MARPOL, Annex VI – air pollution prevention. (8/1/18) [<http://www.tokyo-mou.org/doc/Press%20release%20on%20CIC%20on%20MARPOL%20Annex%20VI.pdf>].

UK – failure of yacht keel



The UK Marine Accident Investigation Branch (MAIB) issued a safety bulletin following the 7 December 2017 failure of a shallow draft lead keel fitted to the commercial yacht Tyger of London off Tenerife, Canary Islands. The bulletin contains details on the background of the incident, the initial findings, yachts fitted with similar keels, and a safety lesson. **Safety Bulletin 3-2018**

(8/1/18)

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/5b604184e5274a5f5a33a3d3/2018_-_SB3_-_Tyger_of_London.pdf].

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