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USCG – Hurricane Florence response



The US Coast Guard established a [website](https://www.news.uscg.mil/News-by-Region/Headquarters/Hurricane-Florence/) focusing on its response to Hurricane Florence. (9/14/18) [<https://www.news.uscg.mil/News-by-Region/Headquarters/Hurricane-Florence/>].

USCG – initial towing vessel COI inspections under TSMS option



The USCG Office of Commercial Vessel Compliance (CG-CVC) issued a Mission Management System (MMS) Work Instruction (WI) regarding initial towing vessel Certificate of Inspection (COI) inspections under the TSMS option. **CVC-WI-002(1)** (9/06/18)

[[https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/5p/CG-5PC/CG-CVC/CVC_MMS/CVC-WI-002\(1\).pdf](https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/5p/CG-5PC/CG-CVC/CVC_MMS/CVC-WI-002(1).pdf)].

USCG – GPS Problem Reports



The USCG Navigation Center issued a **bulletin** announcing that GPS problems submitted by the public are now available on its website at **GPS Problem Reports**. Reports may be submitted via the form at **GPS Problem Reporting**. (9/14/18)

[https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/gps/Reports_of_GPS_Problems_Now_Available_NAVCEN_Website.pdf].

USCG MSC – oceangoing tank barge cargo authority



The USCG Marine Safety Center (MSC) issued an updated Plan Review Guideline (PRG) titled '**MSC Guidelines for Review of Oceangoing Tank Barge Cargo Authority**'. Its purpose is to provide guidance and information regarding submission of the Tank Group Characteristics Loading Form for oceangoing tank barges to request generation of a Cargo Authority Attachment (CAA). (8/1/18) [https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/MSC/PRG/PRG.C1-42.2018.08.01.Oceangoing_Tank_Barge_Cargo_Authority.pdf].

NBSAC – meeting on 18-19 October



The National Boating Safety Advisory Council (NBSAC), sponsored by the US Coast Guard, will meet on 18-19 October in Cape May. Topics on the agenda include alternatives to pyrotechnic visual distress signals and paddlesports participation. **83 Fed. Reg. 47185** (9/18/18)

[<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-09-18/pdf/2018-20127.pdf>].

FMC – petitions re service contract filing



The Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) issued a notice stating that it received a petition from the World Shipping Council for exemption from the service contract filing and essential terms publication requirements and a petition for initiation of a rulemaking proceeding to amend the regulations in the same manner. Comments on the petitions must be received by 19 November. **83 Fed. Reg. 47123** (9/18/18) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-09-18/pdf/2018-20167.pdf>].

MARAD – NSMV Industry Engagement 26-28 September



The Maritime Administration (MARAD) issued a **bulletin** announcing that the National Security Multimission Vessel (NSMV) Industry Engagement has been delayed to 26-28 September. (9/14/18) [https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity&mode=form&tab=core&id=d05148fd9248ebb3d7ff426e288061da&_cvview=0].

CMTS – Ocean Policy Roundtable on 26 September



The Committee on the Marine Transportation System (CMTS) issued a **notice** stating that it and the Wilson Center Polar Initiative will host the ‘Ocean Policy Roundtable: What’s Marine Transportation Got to Do with It?’ in Washington, DC on 26 September. (9/14/18) [<https://www.cmts.gov/posts/3943f0c2-6b73-4fe1-ae9-86e3875638cc>].

FERC – Driftwood LNG project



The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued a **news release** stating that the draft environmental impact statement (EIS) has been completed for the LNG export and related facilities for the Driftwood LNG project on the Calcasieu River. Comments must be received by 5 November. (9/14/18) [<https://www.ferc.gov/industries/gas/enviro/eis/2018/09-14-18-DEIS.asp?csrt=6055334608601562271>].

Senate – Fish Fights hearing on 18 September



The Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and the Coast Guard of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science & Transportation on 18 September will conduct a **hearing** titled: 'Fish Fights: An Examination of Conflicts Over Ocean Resources. (9/14/18) [<https://www.commerce.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/hearings?ID=858E7348-788F-4FF6-B98C-326CF14718DF>].

Australia – dangerous, hazardous & harmful cargoes



The Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) issued a **news release** stating that the 'Dangerous, Hazardous, and Harmful Cargoes Handbook' has been updated. The handbook provides theoretical and practical guidance on the rules to shipping dangerous goods by sea. It also outlines the responsibilities of shore and ship based personnel and how these requirements may be enforced through Port State Control inspections or by action of the 'competent authority'. (9/13/18) [<https://www.amsa.gov.au/news-community/news-and-media-releases/dangerous-hazardous-and-harmful-cargoes-handbook-3rd-edition>].

Canada – impact of marine shipping



Transport Canada issued a **news release** stating that a contract has been awarded to assess the cumulative impact of marine shipping on coastal ecosystems. (9/17/18) [<https://www.canada.ca/en/transport-canada/news/2018/09/government-of-canada-awards-contract-to-assess-the-cumulative-effects-of-marine-shipping-on-coastal-marine-ecosystems-through-the-oceans-protection.html>].

India – polar waters basic training



सत्यमेव जयते The Indian Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) issued a circular providing guidelines for basic training for ships operating polar waters. **STCW Training Circular 23-2018** (9/17/18) [http://dgshipping.gov.in/writereaddata/News/201809170601353591415dgs_cir_23_2018_trg.pdf].

India – polar waters advanced training



The Indian Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) issued a circular providing guidelines for advanced training for ships operating polar waters. **STCW Training Circular 22-2018** (9/17/18)
[http://dgshipping.gov.in/writereaddata/News/201809170559143226113dgs_cir22_2018_trg.pdf].

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