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## **San Diego – yacht-sportfisher collision**



The US Coast Guard issued a [news release](#) stating that 17 persons were rescued following a collision off San Diego between a 332-foot yacht and a

65-foot sportfisher. The incident is under investigation. (10/28/18)  
[<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDHSCG/bulletins/2176887>].

### USCG – BWMS type approval certificate issued



The US Coast Guard posted a **bulletin** stating that is issued a Ballast Water Management System (BWMS) type approval certificate, its eleventh to date, to Hyundai Heavy Industries Co. Ltd for its HiBallast BWMS. (10/26/18)  
[<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2018/10/26/10-26-2018-marine-safety-center-issues-ballast-water-management-system-type-approval-certificate-to-hyundai-heavy-industries-co-ltd/>].

### USCG – application for BWMS type approval



The US Coast Guard posted a **bulletin** stating that it has received its nineteenth application for type approval of a ballast water management system (BWMS), this one for the UV Compact Clean BWMS manufactured by DESMI Ocean Guard A/S. (10/26/18)  
[<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2018/10/26/10-26-2018-marine-safety-center-receives-19th-application-for-bwms-type-approval/>].

### USCG – Tier III engine performance standards



The US Coast Guard published guidance outlining how it will enforce MARPOL Annex VI, Regulation 13.5.1.2 due to the unavailability of engines needed to comply with this regulation regarding Tier III performance standards. In lieu thereof and on a short-term basis, the Coast Guard will accept engines certified as meeting the EPA Clean Air Act Tier 3 requirements. **CG-CVC-WI-014(1)** (10/17/18)  
[[https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/5p/CG-5PC/CG-CVC/CVC\\_MMS/CVC-WI-014\(1\).pdf](https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/5p/CG-5PC/CG-CVC/CVC_MMS/CVC-WI-014(1).pdf)].

### USCG – GLPAC meeting summary



The US Coast Guard posted a **bulletin** summarizing the recent meeting of the Great Lakes Pilotage Advisory Committee (GLPAC). (10/26/18)  
[<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2018/10/26/10-26-2018-summary-of-recent-great-lakes-pilotage-advisory-committee-meeting/>].

## USCG – AMSCs and cyber security



The US Coast Guard posted a **bulletin** discussing the role of Area Maritime Security Committees (AMSCs) in cyber security. (10/26/18) [<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2018/10/26/10-26-2018-national-cybersecurity-awareness-month-area-maritime-security-committees/>].

## USCG – Eastern Great Lakes AMSC



The US Coast Guard seeks interested individuals for membership on the Eastern Great Lakes Area Maritime Security Committee (AMSC). Applications should be received by 23 November. **83 Fed. Reg. 53642** (10/24/18) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-24/pdf/2018-23243.pdf>].

## CFSAC – meeting on 15-16 November



The Commercial Fishing Safety Advisory Committee (CFSAC), sponsored by the US Coast Guard, will meet on 15-16 November in Seattle. Topics on the agenda include fire extinguishers, survival craft, and training requirements for operators. **83 Fed. Reg. 53494** (10/23/18) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-23/pdf/2018-23061.pdf>].

## NOAA – MPA FAC nominations and meeting



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) seeks nominations for membership on the Marine Protected Areas Federal Advisory Committee (MPA FAC). Nominations must be received by 1 December. The MPA FAC will meet on 8 November via teleconference. **83 Fed. Reg. 53608** (10/24/18) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-24/pdf/2018-23255.pdf>].

## NOAA – round-the-world voyage completed



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) issued a **news release** stating that the oceanographic research ship Ronald H.

Brown completed a 243-day voyage around the world, conducting scientific research and servicing buoys that inform global weather, climate, and ocean forecasting. (10/23/18) [<https://www.noaa.gov/media-release/noaa-research-vessel-completes-global-science-mission>].

### FERC – Texas LNG Project draft EIS



The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued a **news release** stating that the draft environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Texas LNG Project in Brownsville has been completed. Comments must be submitted by 17 December. (10/26/18) [<https://www.ferc.gov/industries/gas/enviro/eis/2018/10-26-18-DEIS.asp?csrt=5922774668975517986>].

### FERC – Calcasieu Pass LNG Project final EIS



The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued a **news release** stating that the final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Calcasieu Pass LNG Project has been completed. (10/22/18) [].

### DOJ – former USN commander sentenced



The Department of Justice (DOJ) issued a **news release** stating that a former US Navy commander has been sentenced to 30 months in prison followed by three years of supervised release, a \$10,000 fine, and \$21,625.60 in restitution for bribery conspiracy with a foreign defense contractor. (10/19/18) [<https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/former-us-navy-commander-sentenced-prison-bribery-conspiracy-foreign-defense-contractor>].

### CMTS – Ocean Policy Roundtable recap



The Committee for the Marine Transportation System (CMTS) issued a **news release** providing a recap of the recent Ocean Policy Roundtable: What's Maritime Transportation Got to Do with It? (10/19/18) [<https://www.cmts.gov/posts/78532fd0-17f4-43cc-9bd9-fe9d89dae593>].

## MARAD – GPS interference near Jeddah Port



The Maritime Administration (MARAD) issued a **notice** stating that GPS interference has been reported in the vicinity of Jeddah Port, Saudi Arabia. (10/23/18) [<https://www.marad.dot.gov/msci/alert/2018/2018-008a-gps-interference-jeddah-port-saudi-arabia/>].

## OFAC – sanctions re North Korea



The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) issued a **notice** stating that economic sanctions have been imposed on various individuals and entities, including two vessels, for violation of the sanctions against North Korea. (10/25/18) [<https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/OFAC-Enforcement/Pages/20181025.aspx>].

## IMO – MEPC 73 summarized



The IMO issued a **news release** summarizing the recently concluded session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 73). The headline item was an amendment banning carriage of ship fuel oil exceeding the upcoming 0.50% sulphur limit (except for vessels fitted with scrubbers). Guidance was also approved for fuel oil suppliers and for ship implementation of new fuel oil standards. (10/26/18) [<http://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/PressBriefings/Pages/19-Implementation-of-sulphur-2020-limit-.aspx>].

## IMO – GHG strategy



The IMO issued a **news release** discussing its next steps for reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from ships. (10/22/18) [<http://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/PressBriefings/Pages/18-MEPCGHGprogramme.aspx>].

## Somalia – pirate attack thwarted



The EU NAVFOR issued a **press release** stating that a pirate attack against a bulk carrier in the Somali Basin on 16 October was thwarted due

to application of best management practices (BMPs) by the master, crew, and private security team. (10/19/18) [<http://eunavfor.eu/pirate-attack-averted-off-the-east-coast-of-somalia/>].

## UK – prevention of engine room fires



The UK Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) issued a notice bringing MSC.1/Circ.1321 to the attention of the Maritime Community. This IMO Circular provides consolidated guidance on the prevention of fires in Engine Rooms, Cargo Pump Rooms, and other high fire risk spaces. **MIN 579 (M)** (10/26/18)

[[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/751264/MIN579\\_Complete.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/751264/MIN579_Complete.pdf)].

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