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## **USCG – another BWMS submittal received**



The US Coast Guard issued a **bulletin** stating that it received its twentieth application of type approval of a ballast water management system (BWMS), this one from Wartsila Water Systems Ltd for its Aquarius UV BWMS. (10/30/18) [<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2018/10/30/10-30-2018-marine-safety-center-receives-20th-application-for-bwms-type-approval/>].

## **USCG – importance of MTS**



The US Coast Guard issued a **bulletin** on the importance of the nation's marine transportation system (MTS) and its safety and security. (10/30/18) [<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2018/10/30/10-30-2018->

rear-adm-john-nadeau-remarks-on-the-safety-security-of-the-marine-transportation-system/].

### USCG – NOAD schema notice



The USCG National Vessel Movement Center (NVMC) issued a **notice** stating that on Tuesday, 13 November 2018, an updated NOAD schema, versioned 3.6, will be released and will contain various schema improvements, updates to our ports list and retirement of the NVMC workbook as a means of submission for Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) NOAs. (10/30/18) [[https://www.nvmc.uscg.gov/nvmc/\(S\(sav5e2qkk2ufbho3iujxhvjj\)\)/News.aspx?newsId=1ba16e74-3a7d-44a4-9e08-5970e8b40009](https://www.nvmc.uscg.gov/nvmc/(S(sav5e2qkk2ufbho3iujxhvjj))/News.aspx?newsId=1ba16e74-3a7d-44a4-9e08-5970e8b40009)].

### NOAA – members sought for NSGAB



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) issued a notice stating that it is soliciting interested persons for membership on the National Sea Grant Advisory Board (NSGAB). In addition, the NSGAB will meet via teleconference on 10 December regarding the National Sea Grant College Program. **83 Fed. Reg. 54723** (10/31/18) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-31/pdf/2018-23810.pdf>].

### NOAA – SS Jacob Luckenbach oil spill



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) posted a **blog** regarding the 1953 sinking of the freighter Jacob Luckenbach and efforts years later led by the US Coast Guard and NOAA to minimize the risk of the further discharge of oil into the water. (10/30/18) [[https://blog.response.restoration.noaa.gov/oily-killer-deep-mystery-oil-spill-san-mateo?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=GovDelivery](https://blog.response.restoration.noaa.gov/oily-killer-deep-mystery-oil-spill-san-mateo?utm_medium=email&utm_source=GovDelivery)].

### Canada – cannabis legalization



Transport Canada issued a bulletin regarding the nation's recent legalization of cannabis and vessel operation. **SSB 12-2018** (10/16/18) [<http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/bulletins-2018-12-eng.htm>]. *Note: Mariners on Canadian vessels must bear in mind that possession and use of cannabis on vessels in US waters remains illegal.*

## Hong Kong – air pollution control regulation



The Hong Kong Environmental Protection Department issued a **press release** stating that, starting 1 January 2019, all vessels except for specified vessel types are required to use compliant fuel within Hong Kong waters, irrespective of whether they are sailing or berthing. Compliant fuel includes low sulphur marine fuel with sulphur content not exceeding 0.5%, liquefied natural gas, or any other fuel approved by the Director of Environmental Protection. (10/26/18)

[<https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/201810/26/P2018102600338.htm>].

*Note: This item was brought to my attention by my long-suffering reader Emilio Tombolesi of **Carnival Corporation**.*

## UK – maritime transport & Brexit



The UK Department for Transport (DfT) issued a **notice** stating that a statutory instrument has been issued revoking a number of pieces of EU legislation relating to maritime transport market access which will no longer be appropriate after EU exit. (10/30/18) [<https://www.gov.uk/eu-withdrawal-act-2018-statutory-instruments/the-maritime-transport-access-to-trade-and-cabotage-revocation-eu-exit-regulations-2018>].

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