

Headlines:

Court – border search;
Singapore – weight limitations of dangerous goods;
Singapore – automatic issuance of ROAs; and
MREN – BWM reform.

January 23, 2019



Bryant's Maritime News

Bryant's Maritime Consulting - 4845 SW 91st Way - Gainesville, FL 32608-8135 - USA

Tel: 1-352-692-5493 – Email: dennis.l.bryant@gmail.com – Internet: <http://brymar-consulting.com>

Contact me to help you reach your target audience

Note: This newsletter is one section of the [Bryant's Maritime Consulting](#) website. Visit the site for more extensive maritime regulatory information. Individual concerns may be addressed by retaining [Dennis Bryant](#) directly. Much of the highlighted text in this newsletter constitutes links to Internet sites providing more detailed information. Links on this page may be in PDF format. Comments on these postings are encouraged and may be made by email to the editor or by going to the blog page on the website and clicking the envelope that appears at the end of each posting. Be aware that the daily newsletter is a single posting, even though it contains a number of individual items. Due to the current economic conditions, the light at the end of the tunnel has been turned off.

Court – border search



The US Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit affirmed the grant of summary judgment in favor of law enforcement officers and the federal government in a claim brought by three cruise ship passengers who were searched, along with their cabin, on suspicion of drug smuggling as the ship arrived in St. Croix after calling at a number of foreign ports. The officers were found to be entitled to qualified immunity and the government was shielded by the discretionary function exemption. A recent case decided otherwise was distinguished. [Bryan v. United States](#), No. 17-1519 (3rd Cir., January 18, 2019) [<https://www2.ca3.uscourts.gov/opinarch/171519p.pdf>]. Note: This item was brought to my attention by my good friend Keith Heard of [Lennon, Murphy & Phillips LLC](#).

Singapore – weight limitations of dangerous goods



The Singapore Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) issued a circular announcing revised weight limitations of dangerous goods at container berths. [Port Marine Circular 02-2019](#) (1/21/19)

[<https://www.mpa.gov.sg/web/portal/home/port-of-singapore/circulars-and-notices/detail/47d8ae1b-1ef6-4151-83d3-3480e247b25a>].

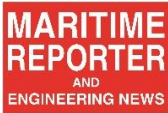
Singapore – automatic issuance of ROAs



The Singapore Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) issued a circular announcing that it will automatically issue a Receipt of Acknowledgement (ROA) upon application for a Certificate of Endorsement (COE) so as to facilitate companies that sign on officers. **Shipping Circular 02-2019** (1/22/19)

[<https://www.mpa.gov.sg/web/portal/home/port-of-singapore/circulars-and-notices/detail/4d8c5f38-9d3b-428c-afd9-afe5bac6e0ce>].

MREN – BWM reform



In the January 2019 edition of Maritime Reporter and Engineering News, you can find my article entitled "**BWM reform**". The article discusses the recently enacted Vessel Incidental Discharge Act of 2018 (VIDA). The Act greatly reforms the process for regulation of ballast water discharges into waters of the United States. It not only brings the US ballast water management (BWM) regulatory scheme into closer alignment with the international standard, but it also largely eliminates the ability of states and tribal governments to establish their own standards. Full implementation will take time, but there is light at the end of this particular tunnel. (1/20/19) [<http://www.brymarconsulting.com/wp-content/uploads/MREN/MREN190100.pdf>].

Join my mailing list



If you are not receiving my almost daily electronic newsletter and would like to have it sent directly to your email inbox, please send me an email, or see below:

Join Our Mailing List!



If you have questions regarding the above items or are interested in advertising in this newsletter, please contact the editor:

Dennis L. Bryant

Bryant's Maritime Consulting

4845 SW 91st Way
Gainesville, FL 32608-8135
USA

1-352-692-5493
dennis.l.bryant@gmail.com
<http://brymar-consulting.com>

© Dennis L. Bryant – January 2019

 Redistribution permitted with attribution