



MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN

These bulletins are purely informational for the maritime community within this Captain of the Port zone. They advise you of emerging information & situations that may impact our Marine Transportation System. As important, they help to manage expectations & facilitate cooperation regarding actions that we may be taking and/or that you may need to employ in the interest of safety/security. Increased vigilance in our maritime world hinges significantly upon proactive engagement & information sharing with the private sector, which has the primary responsibility for security & safety at their waterfront facilities & vessels.

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Date: October 14, 2003

SUBJECT: MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT – VESSEL & FACILITY SECURITY

- 1. Background** – On October ##, 2003 the Coast Guard issued the Final Maritime Security Regulations, and the first Maritime Security Directive(s) in FR#####. The Final Regulations require Vessel and Facility Owners/Operators to designate in writing Company Security Officers (CSO), Vessel Security Officers (VSO), and/or Facility Security Officers (FSO). The Final Regulations require the Coast Guard to develop procedures to safe guard and distribute Sensitive Security Information (SSI). The Commandant has issued the first Maritime Security Directive(s) under the Final Regulations. Maritime Security Directives are SSI information and cannot be widely disseminated. SSI information can only be released to those companies/individuals who have a defined “need to know”, and who have executed a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) with the Coast Guard. Coast Guard Group/MSO Long Island Sound intends to only issue Maritime Security Directives to regulated entities through the designated CSO, VSO, and/or FSO. Group/MSO Long Island Sound has not executed any NDAs with the regulated community.
- 2. Meeting Purpose** -To discuss changes to the Vessel and Facility Maritime Rules, to discuss Sensitive Security Information (SSI), to execute Non-disclosure Agreements (NDA), to distribute Maritime Security Directives (based on a need to know), and to execute a survey regarding Vessel & Facility Security planning.
- 3. Meeting Location** - General locations will be New Haven, New London and Long Island. More specific locations shall be announced.
- 4. Meeting Date** - New Haven on October 28th, New London on October 29th and Long Island on October 30th
- 5. Meeting Time** - The time will be 1300-1500.
- 6. Target Audience** - Designated Company Security Officers (CSO), Vessel Security Officers (VSO), and Facility Security Officers (FSO) and **members of the Area Maritime Security Committee (AMSC)??** should attend. The designation requirements, qualifications & responsibilities for the Security Officers can be found in the Interim Rules Part 104.210 for the CSO, Part 104.215 for the VSO and Part105.205 for the FSO. Only properly designated personnel will be allowed to execute non-disclosure agreements and receive the Maritime Security Directives on behalf of the companies with a determined need to know. All personnel executing a non-disclosure agreement must have with them: 1. letter of designation as CSO, VSO, FSO as appropriate and two forms of valid identification, one of which must be a photo ID.

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