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NOTICE NEW MARSEC DIRECTIVES ISSUED

Eight Newly Released Maritime Security (MARSEC) Directives have been promulgated by the U. S. Coast Guard for the maritime industry regulated under 33 CFR Part 104, 105, and 106. These MARSEC Directives contain critical security information required for your security plans.

In accordance with 33 CFR 101.405 (2) When a MARSEC Directive is issued, the Coast Guard will immediately publish a notice of availability in the *Federal Register*, and affected owners and operators will need to go to their local COTP or cognizant District Commander to acquire a copy of the MARSEC Directive. COTPs and District Commanders will require the owner or operators to prove a "need to know" the information in the MARSEC Directive and that they are a "covered person" as those terms are defined in 49 CFR part 1520.

I and my staff will continue to provide broad notice of significant security related information in the form of MSIBs and at port Security meetings. However it is incumbent on everyone who is responsible for producing a security plan to monitor the *Federal Register*.

In order to facilitate the distribution of the new MARSEC Directives the COTP has elected to hold two meetings on Wednesday December 3, 2003 one in Jacksonville and one in Cape Canaveral.

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