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## MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN....04-03

**Subj: EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY: REGULATED NAVIGATIONAL AREA; KANAWHA RIVER MM 31 THROUGH MM 70; OHIO RIVER MM 127 THROUGH 438.**

The Coast Guard has established temporary regulated navigation areas (RNAs), for all inland water of the Eighth Coast Guard District and those portions of the Illinois Waterway System located in the Ninth Coast Guard District. This affects only operators of a barge loaded with or loading certain dangerous cargoes (CDCs), within the regulated areas and requires them to report their position and other information to the Inland Rivers Vessel Movement Center (IRVMC). This action is necessary to ensure public safety, prevent sabotage or terrorist acts, and facilitate the efforts of emergency services and law enforcement officers responding to terrorist attacks. Deviation from these rules is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the respective District Commander or designated representatives.

In support of the above RNA, I direct all operators handling CDC barges on the waters of the Ohio rivers between the Hannibal Lock and Dam down to the Green-up Lock and Dam; the Kanawha river between Winfield Lock and Dam and the Marmet Lock and Dam, to validate cargo loads and make reports to the IRVMC in accordance with the requirements posted at:

[WWW.USCG.MIL/D8/DIVS/M/CCGD8M.HTM](http://WWW.USCG.MIL/D8/DIVS/M/CCGD8M.HTM) or  
[www.uscg.mil/d8/mso/huntingotn/hunms.htm](http://www.uscg.mil/d8/mso/huntingotn/hunms.htm)

For questions, comments, or concerns regarding this rule, please contact the IRVMC toll free at 1-866-442-6089. You may also contact my Chief of Port Operations or the Command at (304) 529-5524.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. M. Wischmann", written over a circular stamp.

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