



Marine Safety Information Bulletin

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March 28, 2007

Safety Zone / Channel Closure for Dead Ship Tow Transit Neches River Intersection to Texaco Island Port Arthur, TX

The tanker **GENMAR CONSTANTINE**, presently moored at Stanolind Achorage, Port Neches, TX, will depart under tow at approximately 2 p.m., Wednesday, March 28, 2007, en route to the Port of Port Arthur.

To facilitate the safe transit of this dead ship tow, the Captain of the Port, Port Arthur, has issued a temporary safety zone for the Sabine-Neches Canal from the Neches River Intersection (ICWW mile 278) to the Martin Luther King Bridge (Gulfgate Bridge) (ICWW Mile 286) beginning at approximately 2 p.m.

As the **GENMAR CONSTANTINE** transits through the safety zone, all waters 100 yards or more behind the tows will be open to all traffic.

Under the conditions of the safety zone, no vessel may enter or remain in the safety zone without the permission of the Captain of the Port, Port Arthur, TX. Vessel Traffic Service Port Arthur and the on scene Coast Guard patrol vessel will coordinate traffic and enforce the safety zone. VTS Port Arthur may be contacted on channel 65A, 01A or 13 VHR-FM.

This notice will be posted on the **HOMEPORT** website <http://homeport.uscg.mil>. If you have any questions, please call MSU Port Arthur at (409) 723-6500.

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