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Implementation of National Maritime Security Initiatives

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard has published a series of six interim rules in the July 1, 2003 Federal Register to promulgate maritime security requirements mandated by the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002. The six interim rules consist of:

- Implementation of National Maritime Security Initiatives
- Area Maritime Security
- Vessel Security
- Facility Security
- Outer Continental Shelf Facility Security
- Automatic Identification System

These interim rules are effective from July 1, 2003 until November 25, 2003, when finalized regulations will be put in place. Public comments on these interim regulations are encouraged and should be sent to the Docket Management Facility on or by July 31, 2003. The details on how and where these comments should be sent to, faxed, or e-mailed can be found in the Federal Register. The web site link to the Federal Register is:

- http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fedreg/a030701c.html

Please do not hesitate to contact ENS Patrick O'Donnell of my Port Security staff at (419) 418-6000 with any questions.

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