

**Maritime Sector Information Sharing Meeting
Sponsored by: US Coast Guard**

**US Department of Transportation
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Room 6200
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Agenda

9:00 Welcome/Logistics – *Michael Lesnick, Meridian Institute*

9:15 Introduction to Morning Dialogue – *RAdm. Larry Hereth, USCG*

9:25 Overview of the Department of Homeland Security Role – *Caverly, DHS*

9:30 Current Maritime Sector Information Sharing Process

Connecting the Dots: Intelligence Gathering and Information Sharing

- Organization and Focus for Intelligence Gathering – *Lt. Cmdr. Kevin Wirth, USCG*
- Threat Product Development – *Jim Caverly, DHS*
 - Purpose of Threat Products
 - Development System functions at DHS

Information Sharing Functions

- National Response Center/CG MOU – *Lt. Kenneth Washington, USCG*
- Current Coast Guard System for Threat Product Distribution – *Lt. Kenneth Washington, USCG*
- Direct Dissemination to associations; to CSO, VSO, FSO via FMSA and AMSCs – *Cmdr. Cynthia Stowe, USCG*
- SSI and Classified Material Designation and Handling – *Cmdr. Cynthia Stowe, USCG*
- Suspicious Activity Reporting: AWW, 33 CFR 101.300 – *Lt. Kenneth Washington, USCG*

10:30 Break

10:45 Maritime Sector Coordination and Information Sharing

- Proposal for a Maritime Sector Coordinating Council – *Jim Caverly, DHS*
- Technological Improvements to Foster Information Sharing:
 - HSIN – *Jim Caverly, DHS*

- Homeport – *Lt. Scott Masterson, USCG*

11:20 Discussion of Proposed Sector Council – *Michael Lesnick, Meridian Institute - (facilitated discussion for industry participants)*

- Does this idea make sense?
- What principles should govern such a structure?
- Who should participate on this council?
- Next Steps

12:00 Adjourn

Other Issues:

1. National Maritime Security Plan Timeline – *Cmdr. Kevin Koob, USCG*