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The Department of Homeland Security has made the following documents available to Company Security Officers, Vessel Security Officers, and Facility Security Officers for those entities regulated under 33 CFR 104, 105, or 106 as well as Area Maritime Security Committee members:

- **DHS FBI Joint Information Bulletin # 140: Potential Terrorist Use of Self Storage Facilities, U//FOUO, 06 Aug 2004**
- **DHS FBI Joint Information Bulletin #141: Potential Terrorist Use of Helicopters, U//FOUO, 06 Aug 2004**
- **DHS FBI Joint Information Bulletin: Potential for Terrorist Use of Rental Vehicles: Indicators for the Car, Truck, and Limousine Rental Community, 05 Aug 2004**
- **DHS FBI Joint Memo Suspicious Activity Reporting Criteria, 03 Aug 2004**
- **Homeland Security Advisory System Increased to ORANGE for Financial Institutions in Specific Geographical Areas, (U//FOUO), August 1, 2004**
- **Potential Threat to the Homeland Using Heavy Transport Vehicles, dated 30 July 2004**

Each of these documents is designated "For Official Use Only" (FOUO) and is strictly for officials responsible for protecting specific infrastructure in the Freeport, Galveston, Houston, and Texas City port areas. They may not be disseminated further.

Copies of these new Maritime Security Directives are available for distribution from both the MSO and MSU. Only individuals cleared for SSI access may contact the MSO or MSU to set up a date/time to obtain copies of the Directives. Call 713-671-5117 (ask for either Petty Officer Sean Lewis or Petty Officer Cameron Steinmetz) to pick up copies at the MSO, which is located at 9640 Clinton Drive, Galena Park, TX. Call 409-766-5400 (ask for either Ensign Richardson or Petty Officer Davis) to pick up copies at the MSU, which is located at the Jadwin Building, 1st Floor 126A, 2000 Fort Point Road, Galveston, TX. Identification will be required at time of visit. Recipients of this PSIB should ensure appropriate company personnel are made aware of its contents.

As a reminder, all vessel and facility operators are advised to report suspicious persons or activities to MSO Houston-Galveston at (713) 671-5100 ext. 0, or to the National Response Center at (800) 424-8802. Report forms can be found at <http://www.amsc-hougal.com/support/SuspiciousActivityReport.pdf>.

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