



Lieutenant Jessica Galarza, Liquefied Gas Subject Matter Expert

LT Jessica Galarza is a Marine Inspector currently assigned to the Liquefied Gas Carrier National Center of Expertise (LGC NCOE) located in Port Arthur, TX. She provides technical advice and guidance to Industry and other Coast Guard personnel concerning foreign and domestic liquefied gas carriers, LNG bunkering, LNG as fuel, and many more liquefied gas related matters.



Prior to the LGC NCOE, LT Galarza was assigned to Sector Houston-Galveston, TX from 2013-2016 as a Journeyman Marine Inspector, where she conducted over 300 Certificates of Compliance onboard foreign vessels, and more than 100 tank barge inspections. Following Officer Candidate School in 2010, LT Galarza reported to Sector New Orleans, LA as an Apprentice Marine Inspector, where she obtained all necessary qualifications to master her profession. LT Galarza joined the Coast Guard in 2007 thru the College Student Pre-Commissioning Initiative.

With over 6 years of Marine Safety experience, LT Galarza possesses numerous Prevention qualifications to include Port State Control Examiner, Foreign Freight Vessel Examiner, Foreign Tanker Vessel Examiner, Foreign Chemical Vessel Examiner, Foreign Gas Carrier Examiner, Barge Inspector and Waterways Management Representative. She also holds a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education with a concentration in Special Education, and is currently pursuing a Master's Degree of Science in Leadership.

LT Galarza's military awards include the Coast Guard Achievement Medal (2), Overseas Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal and numerous other personal and team awards.

LT Galarza is originally from Hormigueros, PR and now lives in Beaumont, TX with her husband, Julio and two sons, Gustavo Andres (7) and Hugo Cesar (2).