



## Commander Jason Smith, Detachment Chief

CDR Jason Smith is the Detachment Chief for the U.S. Coast Guard's Liquefied Gas Carrier National Center of Expertise (LGC NCOE) located in Port Arthur, TX. Here he supervises a team of liquefied gas subject matter experts who provide technical advice to both the industry and the Coast Guard, and increase and maintain the Coast Guard's collective competency and capacity to professionally engage with the liquefied gas industry. Areas of specialty include vessels and facilities that transport or utilize liquefied gases.

Previously CDR Smith has held numerous field and staff assignments specializing in marine safety, coastal security, and environmental compliance. Prior to reporting to the LGC NCOE, CDR Smith was the Chief of Prevention at Sector Boston where he oversaw a 75 personnel department and two independent commands to ensure compliance with vessel and maritime facility regulatory standards, investigate marine casualty causal factors, and design and maintain the Marine Transportation System from the New Hampshire boarder to Plymouth, Massachusetts. CDR Smith's previous assignments include tours at Coast Guard Headquarters' Directorate for Commercial Regulations and Standards where he worked as the US's liaison to the International Maritime Organization (IMO), and field assignments at the Marine Inspection Office Europe, Rotterdam; Detached Duty Office North Bend, Oregon; Marine Safety Office Puget Sound, Washington; and Marine Safety Detachment Bangor, Maine. CDR Smith received his active duty commission with the Coast Guard in 1996 after serving as an enlisted reservist for 3 years.



CDR Smith is a fully qualified senior marine inspector with additional qualifications and experience in both marine casualty and pollution response. He is a 1996 graduate of Maine Maritime Academy with a Bachelor of Science in Marine Transportation and a 2007 graduate of the University of Maryland with a Master of Science in Systems Engineering and Reliability/Risk Engineering.

Commander Smith's military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, four Coast Guard Commendation Medals, the Coast Guard Achievement Medal, the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal and numerous other personal and team awards.

CDR Smith is originally from Pelham, New Hampshire and now lives in Houston, Texas with his wife, Dr. Jennifer Smith and 6 year old son, Jack.