



Outer Continental Shelf National Center of Expertise

Staff Biographies



Mr. Harley D. Bates II, Technical Advisor

In April 2015, Harley Bates joined the Outer Continental Shelf National Center of Expertise as a Civilian Marine Inspector. He retired as a CWO₄ (Marine Safety Specialist Engineering) with nearly 24 years of USCG Active Duty service. Mr. Bates has been involved with Offshore Supply Vessel inspections since 2006 and Outer Continental Shelf inspections since 2008.

Prior Marine Safety assignments include Marine Safety Unit Morgan City 2013-2015 (OCS Inspections and FOI New Construction) and Sector New Orleans 2005-2013 (OCS Branch Supervisor, OSV New Construction and Domestic Vessel Inspections).

Operational tours as a Machinery Technician prior to entering the Marine Safety Program include tours aboard CGC KICKAPOO, CGC OCRACOCKE, Aids to Navigation Team Gulfport, MS, CGC WEDGE, CGC ANVIL and CGC PATOKA.

Areas of expertise are Floating Offshore Installations, Mobile Offshore Drilling Units, Fixed Platforms and Offshore Supply Vessels.