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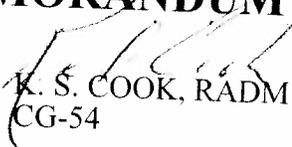
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MEMORANDUM

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Reply to: CAPT Loebel
Attn of: 202-372-1190

To: National Vessel Documentation Center

Subj: TRICO MARINE SERVICES, INC. INVESTIGATION

Ref: (a) Your memo of 12 January 2010

1. I have completed my review of the investigation report submitted under reference (a) and concur with some, but not all, of the recommendations. Specifically, I approve commencing the civil penalty process with recommended penalties of \$5,987,000 using the method described in Recommendation 2.c. of reference (a). I also approve of drafting a Federal Register Notice as described in Recommendation 4. Based on recent changes related to Trico Marine and further discussion, Recommendations 1 and 3 are not approved.
2. I sincerely appreciate the time and effort you and your staff invested in this case. The thorough and extensive documentation clearly demonstrate a strong commitment to upholding the law and ensuring compliance.
3. The case package is being forwarded to TJAG for action on the recommendations approved above.

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