# §157.147

(b) Only one tank of a group of tanks similar in dimensions and internal structure is inspected under 157.140(a)(1), if the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, accepts the request submitted under paragraph (a) of this section.

## §157.147 Similar tank design: Inspections on foreign tank vessels.

(a) If a foreign tank vessel has tanks similar in dimensions and internal structure, the owner or operator may submit a written request to the Commandant (CG-543), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd St. SW., Stop 7581, Washington, DC 20593-7581, for only one of those tanks to be inspected under \$157.140(a)(1).

(b) Only one tank of a group of tanks similar in dimensions and internal structure is inspected under 157.140(a)(1), if the Commandant accepts the request submitted under paragraph (a) of this section.

[CGD 77-058b, 45 FR 43709, June 30, 1980, as amended by CGD 82-28, 50 FR 11630, Mar. 22, 1985; CGD 88-052, 53 FR 25122, July 1, 1988; CGD 96-026, 61 FR 33668, June 28, 1996; USCG-2010-0351, 75 FR 36286, June 25, 2010]

### §157.148 COW system: Evidence for inspections.

(a) Before the inspections under §157.140 are conducted by the Coast Guard, the owner or operator of a foreign tank vessel that is to be inspected must submit to the Coast Guard inspector evidence that the COW system has been installed in accordance with the plans accepted under §157.106.

(b) Before the inspections under \$157.140 are conducted by the Coast Guard, the owner or operator of a tank vessel that is to be inspected must submit to the Coast Guard inspector evidence that the COW piping system has passed a test of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the design working pressure.

#### §157.150 Crude Oil Washing Operations and Equipment Manual: Recording information after inspections.

After passing the inspections under §157.140, the owner, operator, and master shall ensure that the following are recorded in the *Crude Oil Washing Oper*- ations and Equipment Manual approved under §157.112:

(a) The results of the inspections under §157.140.

(b) The following characteristics used to pass the inspections under §157.140:

(1) Pressure and flow of the crude oil pumped to the COW machines.

(2) Revolutions, number of cycles, and length of cycles of each COW machine.

(3) Pressure and flow of the stripping suction device.

(4) Number and location of COW machines operating simultaneously in each cargo tank.

(5) Volume of water used for water rinsing.

(6) Trim conditions of the tank vessel.

#### PERSONNEL

# §157.152 Person in charge of COW operations.

The owner, operator, and master of a tank vessel having a COW system under 157.10(e), 157.10(a)(2), or 157.10c(b)(2) shall ensure that the person designated as the person in charge of COW operations—

(a) Knows the contents in the *Crude Oil Washing Operations and Equipment Manual* approved by the Coast Guard under §157.112 or by the government of the vessel's flag state;

(b) On at least two occasions, has participated in crude oil washing of cargo tanks, one of those occasions occurring on:

(1) The tank vessel on which the person assumes duties as the person in charge of COW operations; or

(2) A tank vessel that is similar in tank design and which has COW equipment similar to that used on the tank vessel on which the person assumes duties as the person in charge of COW operations; and

(c) Has one year or more of tank vessel duty that includes oil cargo discharge operations and:

(1) Crude oil washing of cargo tanks; or

(2) Has completed a training program in crude oil washing operations that is approved by the Coast Guard or the government of the vessel's flag state.