## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

**[Docket No. COTP Houston-Galveston 07–022]**

### Area Maritime Security Committee, Houston-Galveston, TX; Vacancies

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Request for applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard seeks applications for membership in the Area Maritime Security Committee, Houston-Galveston, Texas. The Committee assists the Captain of the Port, Houston-Galveston, Texas in developing, reviewing, and updating the Area Maritime Security Plan for their area of responsibility.

**DATES:** Requests for membership should reach the Captain of the Port, Houston-Galveston on or before December 21, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit applications for membership to the Captain of the Port, Houston-Galveston, AMSC Executive Administrator, 9640 Clinton Drive, Houston TX 77029 or by e-mail to *John.D.Walker@uscg.mil.*

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions about the Houston-Galveston AMS Committee or its charter, contact Mr. John Walker, AMSC Executive Administrator, at (713) 671–5118.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### The Committee

The Area Maritime Security Committee, Houston-Galveston, Texas (the Committee), is established under, and governed by, 33 CFR part 103, subpart C. The functions of the Committee include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) Identifying critical port infrastructure and operations.

(2) Identifying risks (i.e., threats, vulnerabilities, and consequences).

(3) Determining strategies and implementation methods for mitigation.

(4) Developing and describing the process for continuously evaluating overall port security by considering consequences and vulnerabilities, how they may change over time, and what additional mitigation strategies can be applied.

(5) Advising and assisting the Captain of the Port in developing, reviewing, and updating the Area Maritime Security Plan under 33 CFR part 103, subpart E.

The Houston-Galveston AMS Committee meets quarterly. Subcommittees, work groups and task forces convene between meetings of the parent committee. AMS Committee meeting location is currently at the Port of Houston Authority, 111 East Loop North, Houston, TX at 9 a.m.

#### Positions Available on the Committee

There are twenty (27) vacancies on the Committee. Members may be selected from:

(1) The Federal, Territorial, or Tribal government;

(2) The State government and political subdivisions of the State;

(3) Local public safety, crisis management, and emergency response agencies;

(4) Law enforcement and security organizations;

(5) Maritime industry, including labor;

(6) Other port stakeholders having a special competence in maritime security; and

(7) Port stakeholders affected by security practices and policies.

In support of the Coast Guard's policy on gender and ethnic diversity, we encourage qualified women and members of minority groups to apply.

#### Qualification of Members

Members should possess at least five (5) years of experience related to maritime or port security operations. Applicants may be required to pass an appropriate security background check before appointment to the Committee.

The terms of office for each vacancy is five (5) years. However, a member may serve one additional term of office. Members are not salaried or otherwise compensated for their service on the Committee.

The Houston-Galveston AMS Committee is currently requesting applications to fill the following vacancies:

(1) Channel Industries Mutual Aid—Primary and Alternate;

(2) Cruise Lines—Primary and Alternate;

(3) Educational Institutions—Alternate;

(4) Fleets—Alternate;

(5) Freeport Pilots Assoc—Alternate;

(6) Freeport Port Security—Primary and Alternate;

(7) Galveston County—Alternate;

(8) Galveston/Texas City Pilots Assoc—Primary and Alternate;

(9) Greater Houston Port Bureau—Primary;

(10) Gulf Intracoastal Canal Assoc—Alternate;

(11) Harbor Tugs—Alternate;

(12) Houston Port Police—Primary and Alternate;

(13) Offshore Carriers/Area—Alternate;

(14) Offshore Suppliers—Alternate;

(15) Port Rail—Alternate;

(16) Recreational Boaters—Alternate;

(17) Shipping Agents—Primary and Alternate;

(18) Texas City Port Police—Primary and Alternate;

(19) Trucking Industry—Alternate; and

(20) Waterborne Venders—Alternate.

#### Format of Applications

Applications for membership may be in any format. However, because members must demonstrate an interest in the security of the area covered by the Committee, we particularly encourage the submission of information highlighting experience in maritime or security matters.

**Authority:** Section 102 of the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107–295)(the Act) authorizes the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating to establish Area Maritime Security Committees for any port area of the United States. See 33 U.S.C. 1226; 46 U.S.C. 70112(a)(2); 33 CFR 103.205; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1. The Act exempts Area Maritime Security Committees from the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92–463).

Dated: November 6, 2007.

**William J. Diehl,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

**[Docket No. CGD08–07–045]**

### Area Maritime Security Committee, Louisville; Vacancies

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Solicitation for Membership.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard seeks applications for membership in the Louisville Area Maritime Security Committee. The Louisville AMSC area of responsibility includes all facilities and Maritime Transportation Security (MTS) infrastructure adjacent to the waterfront on the Ohio River from the Markland Locks and Dam to the Cannelton Locks and Dam (mile marker 531.5 to 720.6) and all of the Kentucky River.

**DATES:** Requests for membership should reach the Captain of the Port, Ohio Valley, by December 3, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications for membership should be submitted to the COTP/FMSC at the following address: USCG Sector Ohio Valley, Mazzoli Federal Building, 600 Martin Luther King Place, Room 409D, Louisville, KY 40202–2242.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions about submitting an application or about the AMS Committee in general, contact LT Wayne Reed at 502–779–5432.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### The Committee

The Area Maritime Security Committee, Louisville (the Committee), is established under, and governed by, 33 CFR part 103, subpart C. The functions of the Committee include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) Identifying critical port infrastructure and operations.

(2) Identifying risks (*i.e.*, threats, vulnerabilities, and consequences).

(3) Determining strategies and implementation methods for mitigation.

(4) Developing and describing the process for continuously evaluating overall port security by considering consequences and vulnerabilities, how they may change over time, and what additional mitigation strategies can be applied.

(5) Advising and assisting the Captain of the Port in developing, reviewing, and updating the Area Maritime Security Plan under 33 CFR part 103, subpart E.

### Positions Available on the Committee

There are 20 vacancies on the Committee. Members may be selected from—

(1) The Federal, Territorial, or Tribal government;

(2) The State government and political subdivisions of the State;

(3) Local public safety, crisis management, and emergency response agencies;

(4) Law enforcement and security organizations;

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(7) Port stakeholders affected by security practices and policies.

In support of the Coast Guard's policy on gender and ethnic diversity, we encourage qualified women and members of minority groups to apply.

### Qualification of Members

Members must have at least 5 years of experience related to maritime or port security operations. Applicants may be required to pass an appropriate security background check before appointment to the Committee.

The term of office for each vacancy is 5 years. However, a member may serve one additional term of office. Members are not salaried or otherwise compensated for their service on the Committee.

### Format of Applications

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Dated: November 7, 2007.

**J. H. Korn,**

*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, 8th Coast Guard Dist. Acting.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

## Coast Guard

**[Docket No. USCG–2007–28962]**

## Notification of the Imposition of Conditions of Entry for Certain Vessels Arriving to the United States

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard announces that effective anti-terrorism measures are not in place in certain ports of Cameroon and that it will impose conditions of entry on vessels arriving from that country.

**DATES:** The policy announced in this notice will become effective December 5, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** This notice will be available for inspection and copying at the Docket Management Facility at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Room W12–140 on the Ground Floor of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202–366–9329.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this notice, call Mr. Michael Brown, International Port Security Evaluation Division, Coast Guard, telephone 202–372–1081. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### Background and Purpose

Section 70110 of the Maritime Transportation Security Act provides that the Secretary of Homeland Security may impose conditions of entry on vessels requesting entry into the United States arriving from ports that are not maintaining effective anti-terrorism measures. The Coast Guard has been delegated the authority by the Secretary to carry out the provisions of this section. The Docket contains previous notices imposing or removing conditions of entry on vessels arriving from certain countries and those conditions of entry and the countries they pertain to remain in effect unless modified by this notice.

The Coast Guard has determined that ports, with certain exceptions, in Cameroon are not maintaining effective anti-terrorism measures. Accordingly, effective December 5, 2007. the Coast Guard will impose the following conditions of entry on vessels that visited ports in Cameroon with the exception of the Ebome Marine Terminal, the Quai GETMA (LAMNALCO Base) facility, and the Société Nationale de Raffinage (SONARA) terminal during their last five port calls. Vessels must:

- Implement measures per the ship's security plan equivalent to Security Level 2;
- Ensure that each access point to the ship is guarded and that the guards have total visibility of the exterior (both landside and waterside) of the vessel while the vessel is in ports in the above country. Guards may be provided by the ship's crew, however additional crewmembers should be placed on the ship if necessary to ensure that limits on maximum hours of work are not exceeded and/or minimum hours of rest are met, or provided by outside security forces approved by the ship's master and Company Security Officer;
- Attempt to execute a Declaration of Security;
- Log all security actions in the ship's log;