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Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Committee Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, December 7, 2011, in Room 5-1224 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, DC 20593-0001. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the fifty fourth Session of the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) Subcommittee on Stability and Load Lines and on Fishing Vessels Safety (SLF) to be held at the IMO Headquarters, United Kingdom, January 16 - 20, 2012.

The primary matters to be considered include:

Adoption of the agenda

Decisions of other IMO bodies

Development of second generation intact stability criteria

Development of guidelines on safe return to port for passenger ships

Development of guidelines for verification of damage stability requirements for tankers

Revision of the damage stability regulations for ro-ro passenger ships

Development of amendments to SOLAS chapter II-1 subdivision standards
for cargo ships

Revision of SOLAS chapter II-1 subdivision and damage stability
regulations

Development of provisions to ensure the integrity and uniform
implementation of the 1969 TM Convention

Development of amendments to part B of the 2008 IS Code on towing and
anchor operations

Consideration of IACS unified interpretations

Development of amendments to the criterion for maximum angle of heel in
turns of the 2008 IS Code

Development of amendments to SOLAS regulation II-1/4 concerning
subdivision standards for cargo ships

Biennial agenda and provisional agenda for SLF 55

Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2013

Any other business

Report to the Maritime Safety Committee

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. To facilitate the building security process, and to request reasonable accommodation, those who plan to attend should contact the meeting coordinator,

LCDR Catherine Phillips, by e-mail at Catherine.A.Phillips@uscg.mil, by phone at (202) 372-1374, by fax at (202) 372-1925, or in writing at Commandant (CG-5212), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd Street, SW, Stop 7126, Washington, DC 20593-7126 not later than December 1, 2011. Requests made after December 1, 2011 might not be able to be accommodated. Please note that due to security considerations, two valid, government issued photo identifications must be presented to gain entrance to the Headquarters building. The Headquarters building is accessible by taxi and privately owned conveyance (public transportation is not generally available). However, parking in the vicinity of the building is extremely limited. Additional information regarding this and other IMO SHC public meetings may be found at: www.uscg.mil/imo.

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(Date)

Brian Robinson, Executive Secretary,
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