ALAUX 07-16 - CHANGE TO CG MARINE SAFETY MANUAL, VOLUME II

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1. This message announces the promulgation of the latest version of Reference A.

2. There will be no hardcopy distribution of this change. This change has been incorporated into the electronic copy of the manual available to all units on the CG PORTAL at <u>https://cg.portal.uscg.mil/library/directives/SitePages/directives.aspx</u>.

3. This change does not constitute a substantive change to applicable policy content. The primary reason for this change is to incorporate existing policy into the Manual to reduce the number of places Coast Guard members have to reference for guidance.

4. Text changes to this Manual include:

a. The following Policy Letters have been incorporated into the manual and are hereby cancelled: CG-543 Policy Letter 09-04, Change 1, CG-543 Policy Letter 11-08, CG-CVC Policy Letter 13-05, and G-MRP Policy Letter 02-96, dated June 07, 1996.

b. Created a new section, A7 on commercial vessel compliance personnel proficiency.

C. Completed a revision to the content of Section B1 involving the hydrostatic tests of boilers to provide further clarification of the requirements.

D. Completed a significant revision to the content of Section E3, Safety Management Systems.

E. Other changes to this update include incorporation of information and guidance sent to the field through monthly messages, as well as feedback from the field.

5. Thank you to everyone who took the time to review the Manual and provide input to help make it better. We continue to receive excellent feedback from the field and will make the appropriate changes and incorporate comments received into future annual updates. While our goal is to incorporate the majority of the policy letters that have been promulgated over the years into the MSM, please understand that this will take time. Our ultimate goal is to minimize the use of headquarters office chief level policy letters, providing a more consolidated policy source.

6. If you find any errors or omissions in this revision, or for general comments or questions, send an email to marinesafetymanual(at)USCG.MIL.

7. RDML P. F. Thomas, Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, sends.

8. Internet release authorized.