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Notice to the Area Port of New Orleans Trade Community

Date: August 12, 2009 No.: 09-013

Subject: Electronic Notice of Arrival/Departure (eNOA/D) Update

OVERVIEW

This notice, in conjunction with United States Coast Guard New Orleans Sector, is in response to industry stakeholders' requests for clarification on the time of submission via the Electronic Notice of Arrival/Departure (eNOA/D) which was previously issued in February 2006.

DETAILS

33 CFR, Subpart C (33 CFR 160.212) and Section 4.7b of the APIS Final Rule (19 CFR 4.7b), the submission time is based on the estimated date and time of arrival to the "Port or Place of Destination" for which the vessel is bound. The port or place of destination is defined in 33 CFR 160.204 as "any port or place where a vessel is bound to anchor or moor." In the past, the Captain of the Port of New Orleans requested that vessels base their eNOA/D submission time on the first place where the vessel will anchor or moor to conduct CBP business.

However, because of the unique layout and operations of the port of New Orleans, including lengthy transit times, multiple anchorages and berths, and numerous operations within the Tri-Port Area, it is paramount that all vessels required to transmit an eNOA/D that enter the Sector New Orleans COTP zone via the mouth of the Mississippi River at Southwest Pass submit their eNOA/D with the arrival date and time to the **first place** that they intend to anchor or moor. In addition, it is imperative that the "Arrival Port/Place" field show only the CBP port that the vessel plans to do CBP business in, i.e. New Orleans, Gramercy, or Baton Rouge.

For example, a vessel that plans to discharge its cargo at Cooper Darrow on the 15th of September at 1300, but will first stop at Nine Mile Anchorage to receive bunkers on the 12th of September at 1000 and estimates arrival at the sea buoy at Southwest Pass on the 11th of September at 2300 will need to enter the data in the eNOA/D Arrival/Departure Port Entry Screen as follows:

* City: Baton Rouge (Free Form)

* State: Louisiana (Drop Down List)

* Arrival Port/Place: Baton Rouge (Free Form Block)

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- * Place/Anchorage: Nine Mile Anchorage for Bunkers / SWP 9/11 @ 2300 (Free Form Block)
- * Receiving Facility: Cooper Darrow 9/15 @ 1300 (Free Form Block)
- * Arrival Date: 09/12/2009 (mm/dd/yyyy)
- * Arrival Time: 10:00 (hh:mm) 24-hr

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mark Choina, Assistant Port Director, Tactical, Area Port of New Orleans at 504-670-2287.

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