



OPA'90 COMPLIANCE & EMERGENCY RESPONSE READINESS IN WESTERN ALASKA

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1-Call Alaska Alternative Planning Criteria (APC) Expanded to Include Aleutian Islands, Bristol Bay, and Kodiak Sub Areas in USCG Sector Western Alaska

We are pleased to announce that 1-Call Alaska has received final approval from the U.S. Coast Guard for the extension of our Western Alaska Alternative Planning Criteria (APC) to cover all nontank vessels operating within the Western Alaska COTP Zone for the Aleutian Islands subarea, Bristol Bay subarea, and Kodiak Island subareas, please see attached. This expansion highlights 1-Call Alaska's commitment to provide clients with the best equipped and most comprehensive coverage for nontank vessels transiting through the Aleutian Islands in Western Alaska on their northern Pacific Great Circle route voyage.

When navigating in the 1-Call Alaska coverage area, vessels must carry on the bridge a copy of the following documents which have all been updated to reflect the expansion of coverage provided;

- APC Operational Guidelines (Ver 3.1)
- 1-Call Alaska APC (Ver 2.0)
- USCG APC Approval Letter (28-Dec-2015)

We also take this opportunity to also notify you of the IMO Adopted 'Areas to Be Avoided' (ATBA) along the Aleutian Islands which are effective as of January 1, 2016 and outlined in our attached 1-Call Alaska **APC Operational Guidelines (Ver 3.1)**. The five ATBA's in the Aleutian Island Archipelago region have been adopted by the IMO Maritime Safety Committee to reduce the risk of a marine casualty and resulting pollution and damage to the environment. More specifically, the five ATBAs apply to vessels in transit through the Bering Sea and North Pacific Ocean and in most areas extend no further than 50 nautical miles from the shoreline of the Aleutian Islands.

Thank you for your business and 1-Call Alaska coverage enrollment. Please let us know if you have any questions regarding 1-Call Alaska coverage by contacting us at 1CallAlaska@nrcc.com or if we could be of any further service.

Sincerely,

Michael Reese
Senior Vice President, NRC

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