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USCG issues final rule to update pollution rules

Coast Guard has issued Final Rule which updates regulations to harmonize U.S. regulations with international conventions regarding oil pollution.

Regulations amendments cover Title 33: Navigation and Navigable Waters to align with recent amendments to Annex I of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978, which were adopted by the IMO MEPC during its 52nd, 54th, 55th, and 59th sessions.

This final rule also amends sections of the Vessel Response Plan regulations to include the Safety of Life at Sea Material Safety Data Sheets as an equivalent hazardous communications standard.

This final rule is effective May 5, 2015.

REFERENCES:

- USCG- CFR Title 33

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