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MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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Dredging Operations Near Marcus Hook Range

The U.S. Coast Guard has established a safety zone within Marcus Hook Range in the Delaware River from March 3, 2011 until approximately March 14, 2011. During this time the Dredge PULLEN will be operating in the vicinity of Sunoco Marcus Hook in Marcus Hook, PA and will have floating and submerged piping through Marcus Hook Range. Vessels requesting to transit Marcus Hook Range shall contact the Dredge PULLEN on channel 9 or 13 VHF, 30 minutes prior to arrival. Vessels shall then transit around the dredge project, utilizing the lower portion of the Marcus Hook Anchorage adjacent to Sunoco Marcus Hook Refinery, while operating at the minimum safe speed necessary to maintain steerage and reduce wake.

During this time period the lower portion of the anchorage shall be closed with the exception of transiting traffic. Vessels desiring to anchor within the upper portion of Marcus Hook Anchorage must obtain permission from the Captain of the Port at least 24 hours in advance, at (215) 271-4807. The COTP will permit one vessel at a time in Marcus Hook Anchorage on a "first-come, first-serve" basis. Vessels will not be permitted to occupy the anchorage beyond 24 hours. Vessels are encouraged to use Mantua Creek Anchorage (Anchorage #9) and Deepwater Point Anchorage (Anchorage #6) as alternatives.

The operator of any vessel in the safety zone shall proceed as directed by the designated representative of the Captain of the Port and shall contact the Dredge PULLEN on channel 9 or 13 VHF, for passing information.



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