December 2, 2019

Dear Tanker Escort Clearinghouse Stakeholders:

Since 1993, the Marine Exchange of the San Francisco Bay Region has acted as the Tug Escort Clearinghouse on behalf of the California Office of Spill Prevention and Response. At that time, the Clearinghouse fee was established and split; 50% charged to the tug and 50% to the tanker/barge. Expenses continue to rise necessitating a fee increase.

Therefore, effective January 1, 2020 the Clearinghouse fee will be increasing to $124, with $62 invoiced to the tug and $62 invoiced to the tanker/barge.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Regards,

[Signature]

Captain Lynn Korwatch

Executive Director

Marine Exchange of the San Francisco Bay Region