Northern California Area Maritime Security Committee

Meeting (unclassified) minutes

Pier 35 San Francisco, California

April 9, 2013

1. **Quorum Call**
   Mr. Paul Martin, USCG, called the meeting to order at 1016
   Capt. Lynn Korwatch, Marine Exchange, confirmed that a quorum was present

2. **Introduction of RDML Schultz – Capt. Cynthia Stowe**
   Capt. Stowe introduced RDML Schultz as the Eleventh District Commander. RDML Schultz thanked Capt. Stowe for the tremendous job she has done. He welcomed Capt. Stump. RDML Schultz advised that he tries to attend each of three AMSC’s in CA at least on an annual basis. He would like to support the sector and hear what the concerns are. Capt. Stowe introduced Capt. Stump. Capt. Stump looks forward to his new assignment.

3. **Public Service Awards – Capt. Cynthia Stowe.** The Individual Award. The U.S.C.G. Certificate of Merit was given to Capt. Lynn Korwatch for her role as Fiduciary Agent and her work on the AMSC committee. The citation was read by Paul Martin. The Group Award. The U.S.C.G. Certificate of Merit was presented to Capt. Bruce Clark, Mr. Mark Laherty, and Mr. Mike O’Brien for maritime contributions. The citation was read by Mr. Martin. The Group Award, the U.S.C.G. Certificate of Appreciation were presented to Chief Mark Ayers, Capt. Bonebakker, Mr. Mark Christensen, Mr. Ed Hughlett, Sgt. Maberry, Ms. Sansom, Mr. Trombino, and Catharine Hooper for sustained meritorious service in maritime security. The citation was read by Paul Martin.

4. **Approval of Minutes – Capt. Lynn Korwatch**
   There were no corrections to the minutes of the meeting of January 8, 2013. A motion to accept the minutes as written was made and seconded. It passed without discussion or dissent.

5. **Comments by the Chair – Captain Cynthia Stowe**
   Capt. Stowe said the TWIC reader notice of proposed rulemaking was out and comment period is open until May 21. The preventative RADNUC protection protocols that were drafted by subcommittee will be distributed for comment. A search and rescue exercise with local county dive teams of southern Marin and SFFD was held and went well. Capt. Stowe administered the oath to new members Mr. John Cinderey, Mr. Bill Aboudi, and Lt. Mario Delgadillo.
6. Member Agency/Industry Reports

Mr. Looper, Metropolitan Stevedore Co.: nothing to report

Ms. Catharine Hooper, SF Fleet week Association: Blue Angels may not be flying during Fleet Week. Hooper thanked Manning, Vigna, Brown, and Stowe for sensitivity in handling passenger cruise vessels that call in Port or SF.

Mr. Charlie Bills, Hornblower Cruises: looking at TWIC readers.

Capt. Londynsky, Matson: TWIC readers are expiring. The Manila Amendments requires that an endorsement be on mariners’ documents showing they have received security training. There are three levels of security training. Deadline is Jan. 1, 2014. He said an internal security video was completed and is now being shown.

Mr. Christensen, APL: received notification from terminal in Seattle that secondary rail rpm is going to be removed. A plan to modify the secondary rpm and use it as the primary is being planned.

Capt. Bonebakker, Phillips66 Company: Security guards are checking TWIC expiration dates. The program of getting them renewed through their security group is going well.

Mark Ayer, Chevron: crude unit will be restarted. They thanked the Coast Guard for helping get ships in safely. Putting into service Marine vessels which will be used to respond to rescue requests. These vessels will also be capable of assisting in spill response. They had a drill with unmanned air vehicles (UAV’s) which went well. They conducted some fire training. They had two suspicious items which were handled as bomb threat. The procedures to handle these incidents went well.

Ed Hughlett, Ports America: Quarterly FSO meeting is Friday at noon at PMA Headquarters in Oakland.

Patrick Koeneker, Cal EMA: Governor has made a proposal that the CA Public Safety Communication’s Office is to be moved from CA Technology Agency to Cal EMA on July 1.

Mr. Sullivan, Northern CA Regional Intelligence Center: participated in MIST workgroup. It was a very informative workshop. Participated in cargo theft task force in Port of Oakland. Also working with National Response Center reports in an exportable format so they can be put into SAR database.

Capt. Clark, Cal Maritime Academy: they will be engaged in training needed related to mariner licenses. They will be one of the providers of that training which is currently in development.
They are engaged with ferry partners in Bay Ferry three maritime security exercise. Wide range of participants have been identified. They are hoping that the PSGP requested extensions will be approved.

Mr. Beckwith, CA State Lands Commission: Assistant Division Chief is now Capt. Laura Kovary. They will be hosting CMA interns.

Frank Johnston, Board of Pilot Commissioners: Five new commissioners in place. Board meeting was held last Thursday on allision of Overseas Reyamar. Wanted to thank Capt. Stowe and the investigative agency for their help.

John Cinderey, SF Bar Pilots: nothing to report. He thanked RADM Johnston, the Commission, and the Coast Guard for their work on the investigation.

Bill Aboudi, AB Trucking: representing West State Alliance which is the local trucking association for the approximately 6000 truck drivers that serves the Port of Oakland.

Lt. Delgadillo, SFPD Marine Unit: they have been conducting a great deal of training. They are working on getting their vehicles equipped with RADNUC detection capabilities. They are preparing for America’s cup and Fleet Week.

Capt. Korwatch, SFMX: Thanked Capt. Stowe and welcomed Capt. Stump. Gave a reminder to all that two critical events happen in San Francisco every year. The annual Mayday Event and the Bar Pilot’s Christmas Event.

Mr. Martin, Sector SF: will speak in workgroup report

Mr. Manning, DHS-CPB: awaiting final financial plan

Mr. Ryan, Maritime Administration: 12 ships in readiness status in ports. They are available for training and exercises. Three ships were activated for natural response mission Hurricane Sandy. Mission was to provide housing, meals, place to laundry etc. Ships averaged approx. 900 people per day living on board for over 50 days. FEMA activates the response of these ships. They will be working on pre-scripted mission assignments with FEMA.

Mr. Myers-SF FBI: Joint training conducted with the Coast Guard and assistance of MARAD. Thanked Mr. Guthrie, SFPD Maritime Unit and those who hosted the Tactical Operator’s Course.

Lee Brown, DHS: extended gratitude to Capt. Stowe. Oakland office has now moved to San Francisco. They are on Sansome St. In February they initiated a dedicated duty agent and rosters have been distributed. Increased joint operations with CBP, Coast Guard, and best
partners on vessel exams. On April 3 there was a recent attempt to access Hanjin Terminals. There were four individuals two of which had false identification cards.

Mr. Trombino, Lawrence Livermore Nat’l Lab: thanked Capt. Stowe for her work

Mr. Laherty, Post Graduate School: thanked Capt. Stowe for her support

Mike O’Brien, Port of Oakland: thanked Capt. Stowe for leadership and collaboration. Working on their advocacy effort for PSGP extensions. Biggest project is their joint domain awareness center. TWIC concern is the enforcement aspect of TWIC. They had an incident where they were able to use security cameras to identify a truck which loaded containers that were dropped for pickup. Result ended in arrest of a person for receiving stolen property. They tried to get his TWIC revoked but could not. This conviction was brought to TSA and they said it was not a TWIC revocable offense.

Sidonie Sansom, Port of San Francisco: welcomed new members, Capt. Stump and Rear Admiral Schulz. Working on their advocacy effort for PSGP extensions. Port of SF has a number of employees that can batch enroll through Lockheed to get TWIC cards.

Renee Domingo, City of Oakland: thanked Capt. Stowe for her work and welcomed Capt. Stump. Currently working on joint domain awareness center. Offered support for PSGP extension requests.

Sgt. Maberry, Sacramento SD: completed SF tactical operator’s course. Nineteen agencies completed course. They are working on phase II of Blue Force Tracking in which they hope to put out additional AIS units in the Delta Region.

Lt. Doug Powell, Contra Costa County Marine Unit: thanked Maberry and his team for their work on Blue Force Tracking. MOU for RADNUC detection has been approved. PSGP 2010 funding is funding some divers. Under the Abandoned Vessel Program about 60 vessels a year being moved.

Mr. Williams: nothing to report

Work Group Reports:

a. Lt. Cmdr. Dion Scott, Neptune Coalition: has representation from over 40 State, Federal, EMS and local agencies. They are working on getting encrypted AIS transponders. John Ostrander briefed them on Bay Ferry Three. The next NASBLA training will be held in
Pittsburg. They were involved in a Technique and Tactics for clearing vessels drill that was UASI grant funded. Sector Boarding team conducted a joint training with BEST on the Cape Banks. On Feb. 13 they conducted a hostage training exercise on the Cape Orlando MARAD vessel.

b. Capt. Bruce Clark, UASI Subcommittee Brief: Clark said the focus of this committee is collaboration in integrating landside and waterside activities. The committee initiated an outreach to the Executive Committee of the Bay Area UASI which led to a blanket invitation from them to attend the future UASI workgroups.

c. Paul Martin, AMS Plan review workgroup – work group charters for the Port Recovery Plan Review Work Group and the Multi-modal information sharing subcommittee were distributed. Martin advised he anticipates meetings will start sometime in May.

General Reports

A. Lynn Korwatch, FA report: there are some major successes with the PSGP. The current challenge is obtaining the requested grant extensions. She requested that any sub-grantees submit invoices that are ready for reimbursement. Reimbursements show FEMA that projects are moving forward. Extensions have been requested on 2009, 2010 and 2011 grant years. Korwatch advised that she will travel to Washington D.C. to meet with FEMA representatives regarding extension requests.

B. Lt. Cmdr Scott, PRND policy brief: A summary of PRND program was given. A draft copy of the Radiation Detection Program Concept of Operations was distributed to the membership. Mr. Trombino advised that he posted a power point presentation on both the AMSC website and the Neptune Coalition website. Mr. Laherty advised that this is a work in progress.

C. Mr. Cary Porter, Mariner Group: The Mariner group was founded in 2000 and is the provider of Command and Control, a situational awareness software application product that allows agencies to quickly establish situational awareness by using a graphical user interface. Due to time constraints the planned demonstration did not occur. The information is posted on the Marine Exchange website at the following link: http://www.sfmx.org/support/amsc/amscagenda.php.

Public Comment: None

Old Business: None

New Business: Mr. O’Brien spoke on the establishment of a MIST sub-committee. Wendy Walsh and Anita Salem of the Naval Post Graduate School said the three main topics at their MIST workshop in February was on the Domain Awareness Center, Oakland Truckers 511, and Cyber
Security. The end result of the workshop was a recommendation that a MIST sub-committee of the AMSC be created. Mr. Martin distributed the draft of the charter for this committee. A motion to propose the establishment of a Multi-Modal Information Sharing Subcommittee was made and seconded. The motion was approved.

Next Meeting – 10:00 AM July 16, 2013, Pier-35

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn: 1213 pm.