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KIRBY 20004 (635252)

Your Vessel Response Plan (Control Number 13322) submitted to meet the requirements of Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 155, Subparts D and I, is **approved**. Approval will remain valid until **February 17, 2023**.

The KIRBY 20004 is authorized to operate only in the ports or geographic areas indicated in the Captain of the Port zones listed below. If carrying oil as cargo, the vessel is prohibited from handling, storing, transporting, transferring, or lightering oil unless it is operating in full compliance with this plan. Compliance includes ensuring that required resources have been identified and planned for or are in place and available through contract or other approved means. If applicable to your routes, this includes the dispersant and aerial observation requirements of 33 CFR 155.1050.

The vessel must keep a copy of this approval letter onboard in addition to the minimum sections of the plan as required by 33 CFR 155.1030. In accordance with 33 CFR 155.1070, you are required to review your plan annually and submit plan amendments for approval. As per 33 CFR 155.1070(b), the entire plan must be resubmitted for a comprehensive review and approval no later than six (6) months prior to the expiration date.

APPROVED CAPTAIN OF THE PORT ZONES

CORPUS CHRISTI	LAKE MICHIGAN[1]	NEW ORLEANS	PORT ARTHUR AND LAKE CHARLES
HOUMA	LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER (MEMPHIS)	OHIO VALLEY	UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER (ST. LOUIS)
HOUSTON-GALVESTON	MOBILE	PITTSBURGH	

1 Authorized to operate only within the port of Chicago, IL

Sincerely,



Kevin C. Boyd
Commander, U.S. Coast Guard
Vessel Response Plan Program Manager
By direction

The action has been thoroughly reviewed by the USCG, and determined to be categorically excluded under current USCG CE(s) # 31 from further environmental documentation, in accordance with Section 2.B.2. and Figure 2-1 of the National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures and Policy for Considering Environmental Impacts, COMDTINST M16475.1D, as authorized by DHS MD 5100.1.