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KIRBY 9501-B(CG024455)

Your tank vessel response plan VRP control # 13322 submitted to meet the requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 Code of Federal Regulations art 155, Subparts D and I) is **approved**. Your plan's approval will remain valid until **February 17, 2018**.

The KIRBY 9501-B is authorized to operate only in the ports or geographic areas indicated in the Captain of the Port zones listed below. 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. In addition, the vessel must have onboard those sections of the plan as required by 33 CFR 155.1030 as well as this letter or a notarized copy of this letter.

You are reminded that your chosen Salvage and Marine Firefighting Resource Provider may have submitted waivers from meeting one or more of the specified response times in accordance with 33 CFR Part 155.4055. If so, this may be rescinded by the U.S. Coast Guard if the appropriate response resources are not available when the approved waiver expires. You shall continue to assess the adequacy of your chosen salvors and firefighters as required by 33 CFR 155.4050.

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
HOUSTON-GALVESTON
LAKE MICHIGAN¹

LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER
(MEMPHIS)
MOBILE
MORGAN CITY

NEW ORLEANS
OHIO VALLEY
PITTSBURGH

PORT ARTHUR AND LAKE
CHARLES
UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER (ST.
LOUIS)

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

Sincerely,

K. B. FERRIE
Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Coast Guard
Team Leader, Vessel Response Plan Program
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.