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CSI Notice to Clients 10-2018

SUBJECT: 2013 EPA VESSEL GENERAL PERMIT EXTENDED

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a statement declaring that the 2013 Vessel General Permit (VGP), which is due to expire on December 18, 2013, will be administratively continued and remain in effect until a new permit is issued. Owners and operators of vessel operating under the administratively continued permit are expected to comply with the terms of that permit until the new permit is issued and enters into effect. For vessels that do not have permit coverage, the EPA strongly encourages owners and operators of eligible vessels to seek permit coverage prior to December 18, 2018, as coverage under the 2013 VGP will no longer be obtainable after that date. The VGP only applies to vessels transiting US waters. Please refer to CSIs NTC 01-2018 issued earlier this year in reference to 2013 coverage. For further information, please visit the EPA VGP web site at: https://www.epa.gov/npdes/vessels-vgp.

Please contact CSI should you need assistance in applying for a Notice of Intent (NOI) or need assistance with the mandatory annual VGP report.

Please pass the above to all interested parties and covered vessels.