Marine Safety Information Bulletin

Response Resource Inventory and OSRO Guidelines Update

This Bulletin announces an update to the Response Resource Inventory (RRI) system and the Oil Spill Removal Organization (OSRO) Guidelines. Please reference USCG MSIB 07-16 for a summary of previous updates.

The Group V capability listing within the RRI will be removed and replaced by a Nonfloating Oil classification. RRI functions related to the Nonfloating Oil classification, to include a COTP classification display, are in the process of being updated this month. Additionally, a special notice within the RRI will highlight those OSROs previously listed as Group V capable.

USCG MSIB 07-16 set November 30th, 2016, as the response plan review compliance date for plan holders. That date is extended to June 30th, 2017, to ease and facilitate the transition for plan holders, OSROs, and other potential Nonfloating Oil classification stakeholders.

Effective **July 1st, 2017**, Facility and Vessel response plan holders who may handle, store, or transport Group V oils shall only list Nonfloating Oil classified OSROs or provide all required information within their response plan in accordance with regulations and/or Group V Response Plan Development and Evaluation Criteria.

Currently, the Coast Guard has received six Nonfloating oil applications. Due to the dynamic nature of the RRI update and the application review process, the Coast Guard will notify applicants prior to their evaluation in lieu of the 60-day timeline listed within the OSRO Guidelines. The Coast Guard will begin assessing Nonfloating oil classification applications in December 2016. FAQs, job aids, and additional guidance are forthcoming and will be disseminated via RRI's distribution list.

RRI may be accessed at:
Response Resource Inventory

OSRO Guidelines may be accessed at:
Homeport - 2016 OSRO Guidelines and type "OSRO Guidelines" into the search engine, or use the following path within Homeport: Environmental – Vessel Response Plan Program – What's New?

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