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The American Waterways Operators
Attn: Ms. Jennifer Carpenter
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Dear Madam:

Thank you for the five-year renewal submission of your Alternative Security Program (ASP), received May 16, 2019, for use by members in good standing of the American Waterways Operators (AWO). After a thorough review of your program, I am pleased to inform you that it meets the intent of Title 33 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 105 and is approved.

You are reminded it is the responsibility of AWO to confirm which members are in good standing and eligible to implement this ASP. You are further reminded that members utilizing this program must conduct a yearly audit and advise you of any amendments that may be needed. From time to time, the Coast Guard may also request changes and/or additions to your security program to address evolving issues. In the event revisions are required, you must submit a revised ASP to this office for review and approval.

All AWO member-companies must operate in full compliance with this ASP. Any additions to this approved plan made by a member company must be submitted to the local Captain of the Port (COTP) for approval. This ASP is sensitive security information and is required to be protected in accordance with Title 49 CFR part 1520.

This approval is valid for five years from the date of this letter. At that time you are required to resubmit your ASP to Commandant (CG-FAC) for approval. Your members are authorized to implement this ASP immediately. However, all vessels must be operating under this renewed security program no later than 90 days from the date of this letter.

Please know the Coast Guard values the continued partnership of the American Waterways Operators in efforts to secure our nation's vital maritime infrastructure. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Betty McMenemy at 202-372-1122 or by email at betty.r.mcmenemy@uscg.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "B. W. CLARE", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

B. W. CLARE
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard
Chief, Port and Facility Compliance