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Hi Brian:

Responding to the below-questions:

1. The Dixie Vandal information you have is correct. The Trinity is powered with KTA 38's and Kirby has a push pad test at 1840 hp.
2. Yes; both vessels and both barges were owned by Kirby Inland Marine LP.
3. On 3/15/19 the Vandal crew compliment was a total of 5 crew members. 3 tankerman and 2 wheelman (RC and pilot).
4. Both vessels now work a traditional 6/6 schedule.

Please let me know if I can assist you with any additional information or documents.

Regards,
Bijan

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Good morning Bijan,

Thank you again for all of your assistance. Can you please assist with the below clarifications to complete the factual section of the report?

1. Can you please confirm the horsepower of the Dixie Vandal and Trinity? We have conflicting data for both vessels. Currently, I have Dixie Vandal at 1,200 hp; (2) Mitsubishi S6R-Y1MPTA-3 engines, and I have Trinity at 1,400 hp; (2) Cat 3508 engines.
2. Can you please confirm the owner/operator of both vessels and Kirby barges at the time of the accident? Currently I have Kirby Inland Marine, LP for both vessels and the 2 Kirby barges.
3. Can you please confirm the crew compliment aboard the Dixie Vandal at the time of the accident? The CG-2692 indicates (4), but pilot interview said (5). Four individuals were tested afterwards, so I believe 4 is correct, but just confirming. As I understand, it was a captain, pilot, and either 2 or 3 tankermen.
4. Can you please advise the current watch schedule aboard Dixie Vandal after switching from 12/12?

Thank you again,
Brian

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