

Memorandum of Understanding

Between U.S. Coast Guard and the City of New York

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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The New York City Department of Transportation (DOT) and the U.S. Coast Guard Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, New York (OCMI) hereby agree to the following Memorandum of Understanding (MOU):

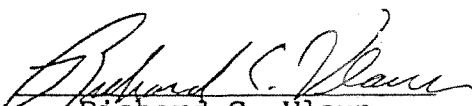
A. PURPOSE: The U.S. Coast Guard and the City of New York have mutual interest and concern for the safe operation of the Staten Island Ferries. Over 60,000 passengers ride the ferries daily and these ferries transit waters through which a significant portion of the marine commerce of the Port of New York navigates.

The parties have entered into this MOU to formalize procedures for developing standard operating procedures and agreements between OCMI NY and the NY City DOT to achieve following goals:

1. Improve passenger safety
2. Improve the quality of Ferry maintenance and operations
3. Expedite the Coast Guard inspection process

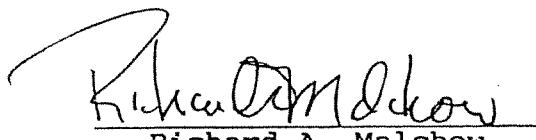
B. METHODS:

1. The USCG and the Staten Island Borough Commissioner will hold regular meetings, at least quarterly, to exchange information and discuss issues of mutual concern.
2. Agreements specifying procedures and/or operations will be formalized in writing using the format in enclosure (1). These agreements will be signed by OCMI New York and the Staten Island Borough Commissioner. Agreements may be amended by mutual consent, and may be terminated by either party upon delivery of thirty days written notification.
3. This Memorandum of Understanding and all addenda will be thoroughly reviewed periodically by each party.
4. Nothing in this Memorandum of Understanding and its addenda is intended to, nor shall operate to preempt federal law or regulations. This Memorandum of Understanding and its addenda do not supplant duly established U.S. Coast Guard policy. Any terms in conflict with established U.S. Coast Guard policy shall be void.


Richard C. Vlaun
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard
Officer in Charge, Marine
Inspection, New York

MAY 19 1998

Date


Richard A. Malchow
Acting Commissioner
New York City Department of
Transportation

MAY 19 1998

Date

FORMAT FOR OPERATIONAL AGREEMENT

This agreement is entered into under the auspices of the MOU between the U.S. Coast Guard Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, New York (OCMI) and the New York City Department of Transportation (DOT). It details mutually acceptable procedures or policies. This agreement may be terminated at any time by either party upon thirty days written notification to the other party.

SUBJECT:

REFERENCES

PURPOSE:

DISCUSSION:

AGREEMENT:

Officer in Charge,
Marine Inspection
New York

Ferry Operations Division
Staten Island Borough Commissioner

Date

Date