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Mr. Robert G. Heiss, Director
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Subject: Export Volume

Dear Mr. Heiss,

This letter is in reference to the export volume originally included in your Acknowledgement of Consent letter, dated July 22nd 2003.

The Maritime Administration (MARAD) forwarded a letter to the EPA in reference to a substitution for a vessel originally listed in the enforcement discretion. The ship substituted, as described in the letter, is slightly larger than the ship that is being replaced.

MARAD has provided information to the contractor regarding the breakdown of wastes for the substitution vessel. The UK Environmental Agency requested a letter of amendment for the breakdown of waste, this will be provided to them, from Able UK Ltd., the consignee. The EA has accepted the anticipated tonnage differential, with the tonnage now at approximately 135,157. These figures are based mainly on light displacement weight not gross weight. It has been agreed upon by the EA, MARAD, as well as the contractor, that the main reason for the difference is the ballast water that is necessary for the stability of the ships for the towing evolution.

MARAD is requesting of acknowledgement of consent for the additional substituted tonnage.

If you should need any further information, please feel free to contact Curt Michanczyk, 202-366-1875, or Michael Carter, 202-366- 9431.

Sincerely,

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