U.S. Coast Guard Sector Delaware Bay

Marine Environmental Response

RRT2 Meeting Jun 2025: FOSC Report

Notable Cases & Events

- 08 Jan 2025 623' Bahamian Flagged M/V ALGOMA VERITY grounded while transiting at night on the Delaware River north of the Ben Franklin Bridge.
- The vessel was carrying 45k tons of bulk solar salt & 110k gal of heavy fuel oil/diesel. No discharge during entirety of response. 4 ballast tanks and 1 empty fuel tank compromised by grounding. SDB stood up a 5-day IMT to manage the response.
- Vessel refloated on 11 Jan during unusual high tide and commenced 2 NM emergency transit to Tioga for repairs.

Exercises & Training

- May 2025 Atlantic Strike Team Response Workshop
- May 2025 D5 Hurricane IMT Workshop
- Jun 2025 Colonial Pipeline TTX

Upcoming:

- Area Committee Meetings 23 Jul & 15 Oct 25
- PREP TTX (Alternative Fuels Response) 14 Aug 25
- Disposed Military Munitions Seminar 17 Sep 25
- Delaware Bay River Co-Op Water Intake TTX Fall 2025 Date TBD

Best Practices & Lessons Learned

- Response team working onboard vessel with QI during ALGOMA. Open communication between QI/CG. Notification to port partners completed quickly.
- Lessons Learned M/V ALGOMA VERITY:
 - Sustained high winds, on-scene draft readings to anticipate refloating.
 - Ice conditions/strong river current for booming difficult during emergency repair at Tioga.

Organizational Updates

- Departing Staff:
 - CWO Josh Miller All-Hazards Response Specialist retired Apr 2025. CWO Mike Goglia reporting July 2025.
 - LTJG Bronson Iannacone departed May 2025. LTJG Rafael Silva reporting in July 2025.
- May 2025 CWO Josh Miller winner of the 2024 CG Wallace Award for F/V SUSAN ROSE response and salvage response best practices. 24 years of dedicated service to our country.

M/V ALGOMA VERITY

aground North of the Ben Franklin Bridge.

