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TO: Sandy Hook Pilots Association
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FROM: The Board of Commissioners of Pilots of the State of New York ("Board")

POLICY & PROCEDURE 01-25 (amended 01-11)

1. The Board requires immediate notification by the New York State Pilot, as soon as it is practical and safe to do so, following any accident, casualty, or incident. An Accident/Occurrence Report shall be completed and submitted within 72 hours by the New York State Pilot when an accident, casualty, or incident occurs.
2. A drug/alcohol test shall be performed after any accident, casualty, or incident; however, the respective association may use its discretion as to whether a drug/alcohol test is performed in the following circumstances:
 - Bridge allision involving only a whip antenna without any known damage;
 - Parting of the mooring line(s) when the State Pilot is not engaged in docking/undocking the vessel and there is no known injury or damage other than the parted lines;
 - Reduction or loss of main engine propulsion not resulting in a grounding, collision or allision;
 - Reduction or loss of electrical power not resulting in a grounding, collision or allision;
 - Reduction or loss of steering not resulting in a grounding, collision or allision;
 - Loss of an anchor;
 - Dragging of an anchor not resulting in a grounding, collision or allision;
3. This Policy & Procedure shall not relieve the State Pilot from complying with any other reporting or testing requirements, laws or otherwise.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Kyle A. Weist
Executive Director

Cc: New Jersey Maritime Pilot & Docking Pilot Commission
Connecticut Pilot Commission