



## SEAWAY NOTICE NO. 14 - 2021

### **U.S. COAST GUARD SECURITY BOARDING LOCATION CHANGE**

U.S. Coast Guard Sector Buffalo has temporarily changed the location where they will conduct security boardings on vessels transiting the Saint Lawrence River and the Great Lakes bound for U.S. ports. Security Boardings will now occur at anchor in the designated Tibbett's Point Anchorage Area. Mariners are advised that:

- The U.S. Coast Guard will contact vessels before they enter Lake Ontario. Commander, Sector Buffalo will then issue a Captain of the Port (COTP) Order directing the vessel to anchorage.
- U.S. Coast Guard boarding teams will embark vessels after they arrive at the designated anchorage and complete the anchoring evolution.
- Upon completion of the boarding, Sector Buffalo will issue a letter rescinding the COTP Order. The vessel may proceed to its destination port when the boarding team has safely disembarked.
- Other U.S. Coast Guard security boarding procedures remain the same as before.

Note: Questions regarding U.S. Coast Guard security boardings may be directed to the Sector Buffalo Command Center 24/7 at (716) 843-9527.

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