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Port Security Grant Program Guidance for the Port of Jacksonville

This PSIB contains important guidance to prospective grant applicants for the submission of investment justifications (IJ) under the Port Security Grant Program (PSGP). Details on PSGP fund availability, applicant eligibility, Federal Maritime Security Coordinator (FMSC) PSGP priorities, application submission procedures, and application (investment justification) local review/national approval process are contained herein.

The Fiduciary Agent (FA) for the Northeast and Eastern Central Florida Area Maritime Security Committee (AMSC), Jacksonville Executive Steering Board, will begin accepting Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) applications (investment justifications) at 0001 hours on 17 February 2009. The FA will stop accepting grant applications at 2359 hours on 19 March 2009.

PSGP Funding Available: A total of \$12.9M is available for eligible applicants in the Port of Jacksonville.

Eligibility: 46 U.S.C. §70107 states that all entities covered by an Area Maritime Security Plan (AMSP) may submit an application for consideration of funding. Within that broad group, the following entities in the Port of Jacksonville are specifically encouraged to apply:

- Owners or operators of federally regulated terminals, facilities, US inspected passenger vessels as defined in the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA) 33 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Parts 101, 104, 105, and 106.
- Port authorities or other State and local agencies required to provide security services to eligible MTSA regulated entities pursuant to an AMSP or a facility or vessel security plan.

FMSC Port Security Grant Program Priorities: Refer to CG Sector Jacksonville Port Security Information Bulletin 20-08, "Federal Maritime Security Coordinator (FMSC) Port Security Grant Program Guidance for the Port of Jacksonville". PSIB 20-08 is available on the CG Sector Jacksonville HOMEPORT port directory website. <http://homeport.uscg.mil>

Application Submission Procedures: Prospective applicants can download grant application forms, and the instructions for completing them, from the CG Sector Jacksonville HOMEPORT port directory website (Community Outreach-Port Security Grant Program Information) or the secure HOMEPORT AMSC Jacksonville Community (Documents-Port Security Grant

Information). <http://homeport.uscg.mil> Prospective applicants should either e-mail their completed grant applications to jmtx@jmtx.org or submit via regular postal mail to JMTX, PO Box 350162, 32235-0162. Ensure grant applications arrive no later than 19 March 2009.

Grant Application Support: During the application period, the FA, AMSC Executive Secretary, and other subject matter experts will be available for cooperative dialogue with potential applicants. This cooperative dialogue is intended to ensure a common understanding of the funding priorities and administrative requirements associated with the PSGP and to help in submission of projects that will have the highest impact on reducing risks for the port.

Application Review/Approval Process: The FA will receive and conduct an initial review of all PSGP applications/investment justifications. Ineligible and incomplete applications will be eliminated from further consideration. Applications passing this initial review will be forwarded to the Captain of the Port (COTP) for a risk-based field review. After the COTP review, the FA will submit a final consolidated list of investment justifications to FEMA for approval.

Schedule of Events:

17 Feb – 19 Mar 2009 – Grant applications can be submitted to FA

23 Mar – 24 Apr 2009 – FA/COTP/FMSC/AMSC review

15 May 2009 – FA submits final consolidated list of investment justifications to FEMA

TBD – FEMA approves final consolidated list of investment justifications

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