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- (1) International Safety Guide for Oil Tankers and Terminals, Section 6.10, Fourth Ed., 1996, IBR approved for \$154.810.
- (2) International Safety Guide for Oil Tankers and Terminals, Sections 9.1, 9.2, 9.3 and 9.5, Fourth Ed., 1996, IBR approved for §154.735.

[USCG-2001-8661, 74~FR~45022, Aug.~31, 2009, as amended~at~USCG-2010-0351,~75~FR~36284, June~25, 2010]

§154.107 Alternatives.

- (a) The COTP may consider and approve alternative procedures, methods, or equipment standards to be used by a facility operator in lieu of any requirement in this part if:
- (1) Compliance with the requirement is economically or physically impractical;
- (2) The alternative provides an equivalent level of safety and protection from pollution by oil or hazardous material, which is documented in the request; and
- (3) The facility operator submits a written request for the alternative.
- (b) The COTP takes final approval or disapproval action on the request, submitted in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section, in writing within 30 days of receipt of the request.

[CGD 75–124, 45 FR 7169, Jan. 31, 1980, as amended by CGD 86–034, 55 FR 36252, Sept. 4, 1990; CGD 93–056, 61 FR 41458, Aug. 8, 1996]

§ 154.108 Exemptions.

- (a) The Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection, acting for the Commandant, grants an exemption or partial exemption from compliance with any requirement in this part if:
- (1) A facility operator submits an application for the exemption via the COTP: and
- (2) It is determined, from the application, that:
- (i) Compliance with the requirement is economically or physically impractical;
- (ii) No alternative procedures, methods, or equipment standards exist that would provide an equivalent level of safety and protection from pollution by oil or hazardous material; and

- (iii) The likelihood of oil or hazardous material being discharged is not substantially increased as a result of the exemption.
- (b) If requested, the applicant must submit any appropriate information, including an environmental and economic assessment of the effects of and reasons for the exemption, and proposed procedures, methods or equipment standards.
- (c) The exemption may specify the procedures, methods, or equipment standards that will apply.
- (d) An exemption is granted or denied in writing. The decision of the Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection is a final agency action.

[CGD 75–124, 45 FR 7169, Jan. 31, 1980, as amended by CGD 88–052, 53 FR 25122, July 1, 1988; CGD 86–034, 55 FR 36252, Sept. 4, 1990; 55 FR 49997, Dec. 4, 1990; CGD 96–026, 61 FR 33666, June 28, 1996; CGD 93–056, 61 FR 41458, Aug. 8, 1996; CGD 97–023, 62 FR 33364, June 19, 1997; USCG–2002–12471, 67 FR 41333, June 18, 2002]

§154.110 Letter of intent.

- (a) The facility operator of any facility to which this part applies must submit a letter of intent to operate a facility or to conduct mobile facility operations to the COTP not less than 60 days before the intended operations unless a shorter period is allowed by the COTP. Previously submitted letters of intent need not be resubmitted.
- (b) The letter of intent required by paragraph (a) of this section may be in any form but must contain:
- (1) The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of the facility operator and the facility owner;
- (2) The name, address, and telephone number of the facility or, in the case of a mobile facility, the dispatching office: and
- (3) Except for a mobile facility, the geographical location of the facility in relation to the associated body of navigable waters.
- (c) The facility operator of any facility for which a letter of intent has been submitted, shall within five (5) days advise the COTP in writing of any