Regulatory Correction – Implementation of the Amendments to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), 1978, and Changes to National Endorsements

The purpose of this MSIB is to provide notification for a recent correction made to regulations relating to the previously promulgated Final Rule entitled, “Implementation of the Amendments to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), 1978, and Changes to National Endorsements.” This Final Rule appeared in the Federal Register of December 24, 2013 (78 FR 77796).

The Coast Guard is issuing this correction to rectify previously published amendments to 46 CFR §11.705 and 46 CFR §11.711. The Coast Guard has determined that these changes were a result of an oversight in drafting and are causing inconsistencies in the interpretation of the application of the requirement. This correction will ensure the two sections revert back to the language that was in place before the Final Rule went into effect. The correction can be found in the Federal Register released today (79 FR 55657).

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