

Ballast water management system (BWMS) manufacturer's considering an application for U.S. type approval, to include existing test data generated during foreign type approval testing, have the option to request the U.S. Coast Guard's acceptability of the original testing organization(s) before proceeding with preparing and submitting a full U.S. type approval application. The outline below identifies essential information necessary for the U.S. Coast Guard to make such a determination and may or may not be all inclusive. The U.S. Coast Guard may request additional information after the initial review. Manufacturers should submit an individual request for each test organization. All regulatory cites apply to 46 CFR.

Address requests to U.S. Coast Guard, Systems Engineering Division (CG-ENG-3), Attn: Ms. Roshanak Aryan-Nejad. Email delivery is preferred. Email requests to Ms. Roshanak.Aryan-Nejad@uscg.mil. Phone contact: +1-202-372-1415.

- 1) BWMS manufacturer name, address and point of contact info.
- 2) Approval testing completed for which foreign administration.
- 3) Name, address, and principal point of contact for the test organization.
- 4) Specify testing dates, testing locations and tests performed by this test organization.
- 5) Based on the time period when type approval testing was conducted:
 - a. Provide a description of the organization's experience and its qualifications for conducting the inspections and tests required in § 162.060.
 - b. Provide evidence that the test organization was engaged, as a regular part of its business, in performing inspections and tests that are the same as or similar to the inspections and tests required in § 162.060.
 - c. Provide position titles of personnel who performed, supervised, or witnessed those inspections or tests, along with the training and experience required for personnel in those positions.
 - d. Provide a description of the apparatus and facilities available to the organization for conducting those inspections and tests.
 - e. Provide evidence that the test organization had or had access to the apparatus, facilities, personnel, and calibrated instruments that were necessary to inspect and test the equipment or material under § 162.060.
 - f. Provide evidence that the test organization was not owned or controlled by:
 - i. The manufacturer of the equipment or material to be inspected or tested under § 162.060 or any manufacturer of similar equipment or material;
 - ii. A vendor of the equipment or material to be inspected or tested under § 162.060 or a vendor of similar equipment or material; or
 - iii. A supplier of materials to the manufacturer;