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UTV Training Prepares Maritime Towing Industry for Towing Vessel Bridging Program Inspections

Summary:

Quality Management International, Inc. has developed a training program to help professionals in the domestic towing, tug, and barge industries meet the new United States Coast Guard regulations for Uninspected Towing Vehicles (UTV) as detailed in the Towing Vessels Bridging Program (TVBP).

Press Release:

Quality Management International, Inc. has developed a two-day training program for professionals in the towing vessel industry. This course for Uninspected Towing Vessels (UTV) focuses on all the current regulations including clauses of the ISM Code relevant for tugs, towboats and barges. By attending this class, towing professionals can get ahead of the curve and be well-prepared for the impending inspections.

The QMII UTV course is an intensive combination of lecture and hands-on workshops specifically designed to teach students both the new requirements and how to effectively audit their system to ensure that they will pass the Towing Vessels Bridging Program (TVBP) inspection.

The United States Coast Guard (USCG) has already started inspections under the TVBP. The majority of commercial towing vessels (5,200+) are now required to pass inspections for certification. This program will assist and “ease the transition to ensure that the coast guard and the towing vessel industry are informed and prepared to meet the new requirements to be finalized in Subchapter M.”¹

Find out what you need to know about the new UTV requirements and how to pass the TVBP inspection. Email maritime@aworldofquality.com or call 888-666-9001 and ask for Lisa.

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