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From: Commander, Military Sealift Command
To: Richard C. Thomas, Coastal Seal Services, LLC

Subj: QUALIFICATION OF COASTAL SEAL SERVICES, TO PROVIDE SERVICE AND
REPAIR SUPPORT FOR WARTSILA MX9 STERN TUBE SEALS AND WARTSILA
BRAND RUDDER SEALS

Ref: (a) COMSC Instruction 4490.1C

1. Reference (a) establishes Military Sealift Command (MSC) policy and procedures for qualification requirements in the procurement of items critical to safety and the modification, repair and overhaul of those items assigned to Military Sealift Command vessels. The Instruction designates the MSC Engineering Director as the Design Control Activity (DCA) responsible to ensure that the design, production and performance standards are met for ship critical safety items. The instruction further assigns responsibility to the DCA to establish qualification requirements and to qualify and identify vendors that meet the criteria and standards for ship critical safety items.
2. Coastal Seal Services requested biennial reevaluation of their qualification (originally issued 2 April 2020) and submitted all required information. An MSC N7 Engineering DCA evaluation team reviewed that information and determined that Coastal Seal Services meets the relevant qualification criteria for maintenance and repair services on Wartsila MX9 stern tube seals and Wartsila brand rudder seals
3. Coastal Seal Services is deemed qualified to provide OEM-equivalent maintenance and repair services on MSC ships for Wartsila MX9 stern tube seals and Wartsila brand rudder seals. This qualification must be re-evaluated no later than 24 months from the date of this letter. Within its sole discretion, MSC may revoke qualification at any time if Coastal Seal Services fails to provide quality maintenance and repair services, or if Coastal Seal Services is unable to sustain the capabilities required in reference (a).
4. The MSC point of contact is Benjamin Hawbaker, ph: (757)341-6211; email: benjamin.f.hawbaker.civ@us.navy.mil


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