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Jaime Bever
Executive Director
Washington State Board of Pilotage Commissioners
2901 Third Ave. Ste 500
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Dear Jaime:

Issues have come up regarding utilizing Washington pilots on Haro/Boundary tanker transits to and from Canadian ports. Currently, tankers bound to or from Canadian ports using this route do not employ Washington pilots. We understand that the Assistant Attorney General representing the BPC has expressed a view that Washington law as currently written requires Washington pilots on these routes. Please let us know how you want to handle this going forward. In past situations where pilots were required, the BPC has notified operators of the requirement. If you decide to notify the operators of these vessels that Washington pilots are required, we will dispatch them as requested. We await your direction.

Sincerely,

Ivan Carlson

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President