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Subject topic: Commercial Diving Operations; 46 CFR 197

Reference: advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking; Docket USCG- 1998-3786 -25

Dear Sir;

Our company Underwater Technology Systems as a concerned and very active member of the Association of Diving Contractors would like to request and encourage the Coast Guard to accept and implement the changes and revisions to 46 CFR 197 as submitted by the Association of Diving Contractors.

Questions 1-14 of ANPRM, Docket Ref: USCG-1998-3786, have been looked at by Underwater Technology Systems. I believe the questions the Coast Guard raised have been addressed and it will make things safer for the people like us that are out there on the job every day. The ADC reviews the consensus standards on an annual basis and it is our thought that at this time changes should be made to reflect your decision. It would be a great idea while you are at it to adopt the ADC Consensus as a U.S. National regulation. Thank you for your time.



Robert Hendricks, Director of Diving Operations

