



April 25, 2014

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Re: Maritime Security Law Enforcement Personnel Training (MSLEP)

Cheryll,

On **June 7, 2014** International Maritime Security Network (IMSN) a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) and Det Norske Veritas (DNV) certified training company located in Canonsburg, PA is **hosting a free MSLEP pilot training program** from 8:30am to 5pm for key emergency administrators in the Greater Pittsburgh area. **The objective of the course is to prevent terrorism or man made disasters by increasing the safety and security awareness of all first responder personnel operating on or near Pittsburgh river ports.** Pittsburgh is home to the 21st largest overall port and the second largest inland port in America. As such, it links to a river system that transfers in excess of \$9 billion dollars annually and is a key component of river commerce in the United States.

IMSN founded in 2007, is a maritime security training and consulting company, which specializes in counter terrorism and anti-piracy tactics. We would like to invite you to this training session in order to increase your awareness of dangerous factors that impact maritime security on our rivers and waterways. Additionally, the course will inform you of the necessary protocol that should be deployed when responding to security incidents along the river or any waterway. A few of the essential course objectives are as follows:

- *Introduction to maritime codes including ISPS and 33 CFR*
- * Responding to crisis involving threats of terrorism or actual attacks*
- * Inspecting/searching vessels, terminals and other facilities*
- * Monitoring and controlling access to facilities and vessels*
- * Interviewing, examining and credentialing transportation workers and facility personnel*
- * Conducting surveillance operation and participating in undercover assignments*
- * Tracking and interdicting suspicious cargo, persons, vessels or vehicles*
- * Recognizing and detecting the presence of bombs, explosives and Weapons of Mass Destruction*
- * Interacting on security matters with federal, state and local agencies*
- * Interacting on security matters with Vessel, Facility and Company Security Officers*
- * Performing threat risks and vulnerability assessments; security and contingency planning*

In order to RSVP for this course, please send a confirming email to hstanfield@imsn.us by May 15, 2014.

Remember to include **your title, company name and contact information**. Once you have submitted your RSVP a confirming email will be sent back to you acknowledging receipt of your reservation. Please be aware that there is a limited amount of space available. Since space is limited, slots will be filled on a first come first served basis. **Upon completion of the course, all participants will receive a certificate of completion.** To learn more about the company please visit our website at www.imsn.us.

Sincerely,

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