

Question 3: What are the benefits and drawbacks to modifying existing vessel routing measures establishing new routing measures?

Comment: 1) If a new routing was established and made mandatory, it would not have an impact on our vessel schedules. If a new routing was established and made voluntary, it is possible our competitors could have an advantage if they chose not to volunteer. 2) Our vessels utilize outside weather routing as well as a program on board. There are times when weather dictates a routing, heading, or speed, so as not to compromise the crew, vessel, or cargo. A mandatory routing system could have an effect in certain cases.