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March 19, 2003

Tideland Signal Corporation
Attn: Mr. Harry Saenger
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Dear Mr. Saenger:

We have reviewed your application dated January 17, 2003, requesting a U.S. Coast Guard Certificate of Approval for your MDS AIMS MIV Automatic Identification System (AIS), (identified hereafter as Tideland Signal Corp. AIMS MIV AIS). The AIMS MIV AIS was successfully tested by Bundesamt fur Seeschiffahrt und Hydrographie (BSH) as meeting the requirements of:

ITU Recommendation ITU-R M.1371-1
IEC 60945
IEC 61162 (applicable part)
IEC 61993-2
IMO Resolutions A.694(17), and MSC.74(69), Annex 3

The following approval numbers have been assigned:

Tideland Signal Corp. AIMS MIV AIS
165.155/1/0

Dated: March 19, 2003
Expires: March 19, 2008

Any modifications to the approved unit will nullify its approval. Therefore, the manufacturer must submit any revisions for U.S. Coast Guard review. Prior to the expiration date, you must notify us in writing if you wish to extend the approval five more years.

Final shipboard acceptance of the Tideland Signal Corp. AIMS MIV AIS is based on the installation, materials, and workmanship being to the satisfaction of the cognizant Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R.W. Martin".

R.W. MARTIN
Commander, U.S. Coast Guard
Chief, Systems Engineering Division
Office of Design and Engineering Standards
By direction of the Commandant

Encl: U.S. Coast Guard Approval Certificate Number 165.155/1/0

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