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Mr. Michael Talley  
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Dear Mr. Talley:

We write in response to your letter of October 10, 2012, requesting that we accept the U. S. Navy Advanced Shipboard Fire Fighting Training course to satisfy training requirements for merchant marine licenses. We have determined that:

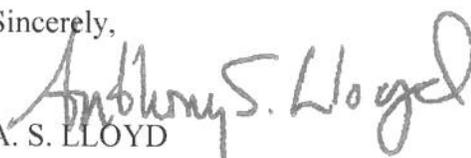
Any applicant completing the Navy Advanced Shipboard Firefighting Training (J-495-0419) will satisfy the Advanced Fire Fighting training requirements of Section A-VI/3 and Table A-VI/3 of the STCW Code and for the Basic and Advanced Fire Fighting training requirements of 46 CFR 11.205(d) and 11.401(g)(1) for a merchant mariner license, – PROVIDED – that they have also completed Repair Party Leader School (K-495-0040) and Repair Party Leader PQS 318, – AND – that these courses were completed within five years of the date of application for the officer endorsement requested.

Please note there are pending regulations that may affect this course and the course acceptance. Upon implementation of the final rule, any changes to the regulations within this acceptance period must be incorporated into the curriculum and a course modification request submitted to the National Maritime Center for review and approval.

This determination is effective April 1, 2013, and expires on April 30, 2015.

Subsequent five-year renewal periods may be granted subject to your written request to the Commanding Officer, National Maritime Center. Application for renewal must be submitted to the National Maritime Center at least 90 days in advance.

Sincerely,

  
A. S. LLOYD  
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard

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