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USNAVY-209
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Mr. Michael Talley
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Center for Information Dominance
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640 Roberts Ave
Pensacola, Fl 32511-5138

Dear Mr. Talley:

We write in response to your letter of August 27, 2013, requesting that we accept the U. S. Navy Gas Turbine Engineering training for US Navy rating of GSE or GSM to satisfy training requirements for merchant mariner endorsements. We have determined that:

Active duty personnel and veterans having successfully completed the U.S. Navy Gas Turbine Engineering (USNAVY-209), comprised of courses listed below, will have met the following requirements for:

- The course requirements of 46 CFR 12.15-7(b) and examination requirements of 46 CFR 12.15-9 for a QMED Oiler endorsement; AND
- The service, training and assessment requirements of 46 CFR 12.15-7(c) and Table A-III/4 of the STCW Code, as amended, for a Rating Forming Part of an Engineering Watch, restricted to service on gas turbine vessels; AND
- The training and assessment requirements of Marine Engineering at the Operational Level of Table A-III/1 of the STCW Code, as amended, for Operate Main and Auxiliary Machinery and Associated Control Systems, restricted to service on gas turbine vessels.

PROVIDED that they also present evidence of six months of service on sea-going vessels powered by main propulsion machinery of 750 kW or more while assigned to duties in the machinery spaces carried out under the direct supervision of the Chief Engineer or the officer in charge of the engineering watch.

PROVIDED that documentation demonstrating completion of the following courses, which comprise USNAVY-209 is provided:

- A-652-0053 Gas Turbine Strand;
- A-651-0011 BECC Advanced;
- A-651-0012 EPACT;
- A-100-0101 GSE ATT TCCD;
- A-662-0002 EM Strand.

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

This determination is effective October 1, 2013, and expires on October 31, 2015.

*For the latest in merchant mariner credentialing, visit our web site at <http://www.uscg.mil/nmc>.
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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.

If you have questions contact Course Approvals at NMCCourses@uscg.mil or (304) 433-3720.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JPNS' with a stylized flourish at the end.

J. P. NOVOTNY
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard