



Conference of Professional Operators for Response Towing
25th Annual Conference
Tampa, FL
January 8, 2012 – January 9, 2012

Sunday – January 8

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| 8:00 AM-9:00 AM | US Coast Guard and C-PORT Partnership Meeting (C-PORT Board of Directors and USCG Partners Only) |
| 9:00 AM-10:00 AM | C-PORT Insurance Program Meeting (C-PORT Board of Directors and Insurance Program Partners Only) |
| 10:00 AM-1:00 PM | C-PORT Board of Directors Meeting |
| 1:00 PM | <i>C-PORT 25TH ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE OPENS</i> |
| 1:00 PM – 1:10 PM | Welcome Address (Chris Shaffner, C-PORT Chairman) |
| 1:10 PM – 1:40 PM | USCG Search and Rescue – CAPT David McBride, Chief Office of Search and Rescue |
| 1:40 PM – 2:15 PM | USCG TSAC Report (STCW, Master of Towing Utility credential) – <i>TBA/Invited</i> |
| 2:15 PM – 2:45 PM | USCG Vessel Inspections- <i>TBA/Invited</i> |
| 2:45 PM – 3:00 PM | Break |
| 3:00 PM – 3:45 PM | USCG NMC – Ike Eisentrout, Deputy Director, NMC and Dr. Laura Gillis, Medical Director, NMC |
| 3:45 PM – 4:45 PM | USCG Marine Safety Center Salvage Engineering Response Team (SERT) - is comprised of 8-10 staff engineers who are on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to provide immediate salvage engineering support to the Coast Guard Captains of the Port (COTP) and Federal On-Scene Coordinators (FOSC) in response to a variety of vessel casualties. SERT provides assistance by performing numerous technical evaluations including: assessment and analysis of intact and damaged stability, hull stress and strength, grounding and freeing forces, prediction of oil/hazardous substance outflow, and expertise on passenger vessel construction, fire protection, and safety. This elite group has agreed to tailor a presentation designed specifically for our industry. |
| 5:15 PM-7:15 PM | C-PORT Conference Welcome Reception Industry Vendor EXPO Grand Opening |



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Industry Vendor EXPO Open

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM

Keynote Welcome Address- Raymond Martino, President
Oceans Marine Travelers

8:30 AM - 9:15 AM

Legal Prospectives- John Fulweiler, Esq.

9:15 AM – 11:45 AM

Attendees will be assigned to groups for the afternoon sessions.

Breakouts- includes Break

The Spin- How to Get “Good Press”- Diana Reed, Executive
Producer, WSVN7 News

The Danger of Distractions- Kent Dresser, Confident Captain

Meet the Board- Networking time to allow operators one on
one time with the Directors

11:45 AM – 1:15 PM

Awards Luncheon

1:15 PM – 2:00 PM

**NASBLA BOAT Program and USCG Standards, the Next
Step-** Mark Dupont, Program Director, NASBLA and Jeff
Wheeler, USCG Deputy Chief Office of Boat Forces - Status of
the program, standards and C-PORT's role.

2:00 PM – 2:45 PM

Salvage & Marine Firefighting- Mauricio Garrido, President,
T&T Bisso

2:45 PM – 3:00 PM

Break

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

C-PORT Membership Meeting (C-PORT members only)

6:00 PM- 11:00 PM

C-PORT Celebratory Gala- Join fellow marine assistance
operators as we celebrate 25 years of industry growth and
develop. Open bar, dinner and music are provided for your
enjoyment. Anniversary/Formal Cocktail or Better Attire
requested.