Southern Currents



Notice to the Area Port of New Orleans Trade Community

Date: September 28, 2017 No.: 17-026

SUBJECT: Jones Act Waiver Processing/Hurricane Maria

Effective 09.28.17, the DHS Secretary has initiated a Jones Act Waiver through October 18, 2017. The waiver will apply to all products to be shipped from U.S. coastwise points to Puerto Rico. This waiver applies to covered merchandise laded on board a vessel within the 10-day period of the waiver and delivered by October 18, 2017.

In order to track the use of the Jones Act waiver, CBP New Orleans is providing the following additional guidance for vessel entrance and cargo clearance.

To meet the entrance requirements for domestic cargo on foreign vessels, carriers or their agents should provide the following information in the "Other" box on the CBP Form 3171:

Domestic Cargo, as described on attached CBP Form 1302, loaded in Port XXXX to be unloaded in port YYYY.

Additionally, carriers should provide a CBP Form 1302 with appropriate bill of lading information including product description, shipper, consignee, quantity and estimated value. The following statement may be included:

Shipment described is a domestic shipment moving under the requirements of the Jones Act waiver issued September 28, 2017.

CBP will allow the cargo to be cleared as domestic cargo.

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Chief of Trade

New Orleans, Louisiana



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