



Marine Safety and Environmental Protection Department

USCG Auxiliary

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with great pleasure that I announce the appointment of Mike Renuart DVC-MW to lead the new M department America's Waterway Watch (AWW) Division.

Mike brings to the department outstanding credentials in project management and proven project leadership.

On August 18th, the responsibility for the Auxiliary AWW program management transferred to the M Department.

As DVC-MW, Mike is responsible for the day to day management of the AWW program for the Auxiliary.

The management plan, prepared in close coordination with G-MPP, envisions a cross-functional team approach to the management of this program.

This cross-functional team approach acknowledges and encourages all Auxiliary Departments to participate and to expand their activities in full support of the AWW program. The M Department will function as a support and coordination infrastructure to assist and encourage the expansion of this program and the expansion of existing activities as well as functioning as the focal point for Auxiliary outreach to affinity groups that will be recruited and solicited to join with the Auxiliary in the support, and extension of the AWW program to touch every boater and citizen of this country.

The Auxiliary AWW Program Management Plan envisions the direct support of Commandant Instruction 16618.1 establishing the America's Waterway Watch outreach program. The instruction details a joint program, headed by the Coast Guard and supported by the Auxiliary to manage this effort.

This plan addresses a Coast Guard Auxiliary need to establish a formal presence within the newly created America's Waterway Watch program. The goal of the plan is to set out a road map for the Auxiliary to cooperatively participate with the Coast Guard in the management of this important effort. A division has been established within the "M"

department which will become responsible for the Auxiliary National Liaison role described in the Instruction.

The Auxiliary activities in direct support for this program will complement and extend the reach of the program. The Auxiliary emphasis is to provide direct outreach to the Recreational Boating Community and to other segments of the public in close coordination and cooperation with the on-going activities of the USCG.

This program is an example of the growing partnerships between the USCG and the Auxiliary.

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