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Ms. Donna M. Siegfried
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APR 15 2010

Dear Ms. Siegfried:

We write in response to your letter of January 12, 2010, requesting that we continue to accept your various First Aid and CPR courses to satisfy training requirements for merchant marine licenses.

We have determined that the following courses meet or exceed the standards of the American Red Cross *Standard First Aid and Emergency Care* or *Multimedia Standard First Aid* courses and will satisfy the first aid training requirements of a course the OCMI determines meets or exceeds the standards of the American Red Cross courses (46 CFR 11.205(e)(1)(iii)) for a merchant mariner license:

- National Safety Council Standard First Aid, CPR and AED
- National Safety Council First Aid
- National Safety Council Pediatric First Aid, CPR and AED

We have also determined that the following courses meet or exceed the standards of the American Red Cross or American Heart Association CPR courses and will satisfy the training requirements of a course the OCMI determines meets or exceeds the standards of the American Red Cross or American Heart Association courses (46 CFR 11.205(e)(2)(iv)) for a merchant mariner license:

- National Safety Council Standard First Aid, CPR and AED
- National Safety Council CPR
- National Safety Council Pediatric First Aid, CPR and AED

These courses are not approved to meet the requirements for an STCW endorsement.

This determination is effective May 1, 2010, and expires on May 31, 2015. Subsequent five year renewals may be granted upon a written request to this office made at least 30 days before this approval expires.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert L. Smith III".

ROBERT L. SMITH III
Chief, Mariner Training and Assessment Division
U.S. Coast Guard
By direction

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