

# SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE



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## **THE CHAMBER OF SHIPPING OF AMERICA (CSA) RECOGNISED 58 AET VESSELS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE**

As we strive to be the leader in our industry, providing the best solutions to our customers, we also feel a great deal of responsibility to the environment in which we operate our business. The Chamber of Shipping of America (CSA) Annual Environmental Achievement Awards Dinner was held earlier this month on 2 November 2016 at the Ronald Reagan Building in Washington DC. We are proud that 58 AET vessels have again been recognised by the CSA for their environmentally responsible operations.

The awards honor vessels that have maintained a record of no reportable spills, no U.S. Coast Guard citations for violations of marine pollution (MARPOL), no port state citations for violations of MARPOL and no violations of state/local pollution regulations for at least a two-year period. Our acknowledged vessels have a combined 511 years of these qualifications, with 22 having held this rank for ten years or more.

Kathy J. Metcalf, President of CSA said, "These awards celebrate the dedication to environmental excellence of our seafarers and the company personnel shore-side who operate our vessels to the highest standards. In today's world, it seems our industry only gets front-page news when spills or other environmental problems occur. It is encouraging to see how many vessels go for years achieving environmental excellence. It should be clear to the American public that we in the maritime industry take our stewardship of the marine environment very seriously."

Congratulations and thank you to all AET staff, at sea and shore, who work hard each day to make sure our vessels uphold this status!

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