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Subj: MINIMUM SAFE MANNING FOR OCEANOGRAPHIC RESEARCH VESSEL, R/V GYRE, O.N. 1179574.

## Gentlemen:

This vessel must be manned with the following licensed and unlicensed personnel, included in which must be 2 certified Lifeboatmen:

One (1) Master

Two (2) Licensed Mates

Two (2) Able Seamen

One (1) Ordinary Seaman

One (1) Chief Engineer

Two (2) Assistant engineers

In addition, this vessel may carry 19 persons in addition to crew. Total persons allowed: 28

When vessel is on a voyage of less than two hundred (200) miles the following manning is authorized:

One (1) Master

One (1) Licensed Mates

One (1) Able Seamen

One (1) Ordinary Seaman

One (1) Chief Engineer

Sincerely.

RICHARD M. KASER Captain, U. S. Coast Guard

Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection

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