

Commander United States Coast Guard Sector Virginia 4000 Coast Guard Blvd Portsmouth, VA 23322 Staff symbol: (s) Phone: (757) 295-2060 Email: peggy.m.britton@uscg.mil

16471

## **MEMORANDUM**

From: Peggy M. Britton, CAPT

CG Sector Virginia (s)

To: Distribution

Subj: PROMULGATION OF THE VIRGINIA AREA CONTINGENCY PLAN

- 1. This memo promulgates the revised Virginia Area Contingency Plan (ACP). This plan is effective immediately and supersedes previous editions of the ACP. The most current version of the ACP is available on the Regional Response Team III website, https://www.nrt.org/VA ACP.
- 2. The ACP is designed to meet the requirements and intent of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan and is aligned with the National Response Framework. The plan is to be used in conjunction with national, regional, and state plans and provides guidance for a coordinated response by local, state, tribal, and federal government agencies, and non-government partners.
- 3. This ACP is electronic, enabling users to rapidly access a wide range of supporting documents that are linked to the ACP. For the ACP to provide maximum support, responders and members of the Area Committee, along with other port partners, must continuously update and revise the ACP based on lessons learned and best practices through exercises and actual responses. Response personnel should make themselves familiar with this plan.
- 4. This ACP was written with the outstanding cooperation and teamwork from the Virginia Area Committee. The plan highlights the environmental and economic importance of the entire coastal and tidewater Virginia region.
- 5. If you have any questions, please contact Sector Virginia's Emergency Management and Force Readiness Division at <u>D05-SMB-SecVA-EM@USCG.mil</u>.