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ABOUT US

ECM was established in 1992 to provide OPA 90 services to the maritime industry. We have since grown to become one of the world's leading regulatory consulting, compliance, and emergency response companies.

While ECM's roots are in pollution prevention and response, we continue to grow and improve our capabilities to develop a diverse network of specialties to meet the needs of our clients. Whether it is through technology, training or professional personnel, our goal has been and continues to be, to offer the most comprehensive package of compliance and response expertise available for our clients.

Providing services to clients worldwide, our cost effective and innovative client solutions include:

- Qualified Individual Services
- Spill Management Team Services
- Plan Writing (International, USA federal and states)
- Certificate of Financial Responsibility (COFR) Arrangements (OPA 90, California, Alaska)
- Canada Response Organization (RO) Arrangement
- Panama Canal Authorized Person (AP) Arrangement
- Salvage & Oil Spill Removal Organization (OSRO) Arrangements
- Vessel Surveys, Inspections and Audits
- Drills and Exercises
- Regulatory Compliance
- Technical Support
- Maritime Security (Assessments, Plans and Training)
- Environmental Management Systems and Compliance Plans (Auditing and Planning)
- Enhanced Compliance Plans (US Government)
- Training
Vessels operating in North America are faced with many layers of regulatory compliance issues. ECM provides a full complement of resources and experience covering all aspects of the maritime industry. Our team continually monitors the ever-changing international, federal and state regulatory landscape to ensure that plans developed for our clients are always in compliance.

**Qualified Individual (QI)**
Response assistance from a staff of experienced QI’s help our clients meet regulatory requirements. ECM’s QI’s are strategically located to provide full coverage.

**Spill Management Team (SMT) Services**
ECM represents one of the largest concentrations of oil and chemical response expertise in the USA and Canadian markets.

**Response Plans**
ECM designs and supports response plans that not only satisfy the international, federal and state regulatory requirements, but also provides a user-friendly response tool for on board and in-house use.

- OPA 90 Vessel Response Plan for Tank and Nontank Vessels
- California Tank and Nontank Vessel Oil Spill Prevention & Response Plan
- MARPOL 73/78 Reg. 37 Annex I Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plan (SOPEP)
- MARPOL 73/78 Reg. 37 Annex I & Reg. 17 Annex II SMPEP Shipboard Marine Pollution Emergency Plan (SMPEP)
- Alaska Non Tank Vessel Contingency Plan
- Ballast Water Management Plan
- Garbage Management Plan
- Washington State Voluntary Best Achievable Protection (BAP) Program for Tank Vessels
- Panama Canal Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plan (PCSOPEP)

**Certificate of Financial Responsibility (COFR)**
ECM can assist the shipowner with all COFR submissions and subsequent renewals.

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Training
The ECM Exercise Program is designed to ensure our clients remain in compliance with the drill and exercise requirements of the National Preparedness for Response Exercise Program (PREP).

International Carrier Bonds (ICBs)
ECM have extensive experience in arranging ICBs for operators, to cover their cargo manifest submissions via the Automated Manifest System (AMS) as well as their Crew/Passenger manifest submissions in their eNoA/Ds, under the Advanced Passenger Information System (APIS).

Enhanced and/or Environmental Compliance Plans (ECPs)
ECM are the largest providers of External Audit Group (EAG), Third Party Auditor (TPA) and Court Appointed Monitor (CAM) services under US government-mandated ECPs, for operators involved in MARPOL and/or other compliance plans resulting from a Plea Agreement with the Department of Justice. We also consult with companies in reviewing and implementing effective Environmental Management Systems to voluntarily comply with the standards laid out in typical ECPs, which could offer additional protection under the US Coast Guard Voluntary Disclosure Policy.

Maritime Security Compliance Services
In accordance with the ISPS (Security) Code and US Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA), ECM assists clients with maritime security compliance as part of our comprehensive consulting services worldwide, by offering:

- Ship Security Assessments (SSAs)
- Ship Security Plan (SSP) development, including compliance with both IMO and USCG regulations
- Security exercises linked with current tabletop exercise programs
ECM offers a vast range of inspection and survey services to our clients. ECM is proud to offer its survey services to the marine industry. We think you will find our survey rates very competitive. The types of surveys and inspections conducted include:

- OCIMF-SIRE based Inspections (pre-vetting)
- Pre-Berthing Terminal Safety Inspections
- Pre-Chartering Safety and Condition Inspections
- USCG Tank Vessel Examination / Letter of Compliance (preparation and assistance)
- Regulatory Compliance Surveys and Audits
- Internal ISM Vessel Audits
- P&I Cargo Claims and Damage Assessment
- Port Captain Assistance
- EMS/ECP Auditing