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Subject: Japanese nuclear reactors damaged by quake

Dear Shipowner/Operator:

There are reports of continuing problems with the damaged nuclear reactors at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant located north of the port of Onahama, Japan. The reports vary on the extent of damage to the reactor containment vessels, the amount of radiation released, and the areas where radiation is reportedly at higher than normal levels.

The Administration therefore recommends, as a precautionary measure, vessels remain at least 300 nautical miles from the coast north of Onahama, until more precise information is available.

In addition, it has been reported that at least three of Japans ports handling oil and 13 ports handling dry cargo remain closed today because of the earthquake and tsunami damage. It is recommended that prior to entering ports on the east coast of Japan, Master's contact their port agents to ensure radiation levels are safe and to check current capability to handle cargo.

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