

Board of Pilot Commissioners for the Bays of San Francisco, San Pablo, and Suisun

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Capt. Joseph Long, Port Agent
San Francisco Bar Pilots
Pier 9, East End
San Francisco CA 94111

Re: First Quarter 2018 Surcharges and Mill Rate

Dear Captain Long:

On December 14, 2017, the Board of Pilot Commissioners for the Bays of San Francisco, San Pablo, and Suisun (Board) met and confirmed the Board designated surcharges. The Board voted to accept the Finance Committee's recommendations that the Board Operations, the Pilot Continuing Education, Pilot Trainee, and Navigation Technology surcharge rates remain unchanged from the previous quarter.

These surcharges are applicable to all vessel movements where pilotage services are provided as defined in the California Harbors and Navigation Code. This letter and direction summarizes all applicable surcharges that must be collected effective January 1, 2018.

The basic Bar Pilotage rate (mill rate) per high gross registered ton remains at 92.43 mills (\$0.09243), and ten dollars and twenty-six cents (\$10.26) per draft foot of the vessel's deepest draft and fractions of a foot on a pro rata basis, pursuant to Section 1190(a)(1). The minimum charge for Bar Pilotage, pursuant to Section 1190(a)(2), will be \$662.00 for each vessel piloted. In addition to the Bar Pilotage charge, the following additional charges shall be applied:

The **Pilot Pension Plan Surcharge rate**, authorized by Section 1165, is to be changed to 25.65 mills (\$0.02565) per high gross registered ton for each vessel piloted as provided by Section 1165(a)(1).

The **Board Operations Surcharge rate**, authorized by Section 1159.1, remains at 3 percent (3%) of all pilotage fees (since July 1, 2016.)

The **Pilot Continuing Education Surcharge rate**, authorized by Section 1196.1, remains at \$5.00 per move (since July 1, 2015).

The **Pilot Trainee Surcharge rate**, authorized by Section 1195, remains at \$20.00 per trainee per move (since January 1, 2017).

The **Navigation Technology Surcharge rate**, authorized by Section 1190.4, has been implemented at \$40.00 per move (as of July 1, 2017).

If you have any questions about the implementation or collection of these charges please do not hesitate to contact me at 415-397-2253.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Allen Garfinkle".

Allen Garfinkle
Executive Director
Board of Pilot Commissioners