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Pier 9 East End San Francisco, CA 94111

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Commissioner Karen Tynan President, CA Board of Pilot Commissioners

## Subject: PV Golden Gate (New) Survey Recommendations

Dear Commissioner Tynan,

On July 27<sup>th</sup>, the BOPC directed SFBP to report "correction" of surveyor recommendations for the PV Golden Gate (New).

There were five recommendations in the survey. The first recommendation was that the EPIRB be installed in a float free location. Because of the service requirements of this vessel, it is SFBP's preference to locate the EPIRB adjacent to the wheelhouse door as "grab and go" equipment. SFBP revisited this issue with the surveyor and the surveyor is in agreement that this is a suitable location. As a result, the surveyor has reissued the survey (dated 19 AUG 23, attached) with the EPIRB location recommendation removed.

The second recommendation was that SFBP complete the vessel outfitting. SFBP confirms the vessel outfitting has been completed and the surveyor has also removed this recommendation from the survey.

The remaining three recommendations (testing of systems, following environmental requirements, and routine testing of alarms/sensors) are not items that can be "corrected", per se. Rather, they are on-going operational work processes that are routinely performed on board all our vessels. SFBP confirms these work processes are being and will continue to be performed.

Based on the above, SFBP respectfully request that BOPC remove all contingencies regarding the survey and accept the PV Golden Gate (New) as safe and suitable for service.

Regards,

Capt. John Carlier Port Agent

Attached: Survey dated 19 AUG 23