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PEC (Pilot Evaluation Committee) Chairman's Report to the BOPC (Board of Pilot Commissioners)

October 16, 2024

The Pilot Evaluation Committee met on October 16, 2024. The members present were Captains Wher, Slack, Stultz, Bridgman and Ruff. Captain Garfinkle joined us in an open session. Captain Garfunkel joined us in an open session and discussed the next trainee to start and another in November or December. Discussion about the next exam and third-party proctoring. We have since started a new trainee 'D' Dan Thinger.

It was agreed by the committee to skip the November meeting to avoid a three-week evaluation period.

Agenda item A:

There are five active trainees including Gallo, Barron, Johnson, and Johnston and Thinger. The trainee's range of time in the program ranges from 1month to 13.9 months. All getting trips to obtain their first-class pilotage endorsement for unlimited tonnage upon San Francisco Bay. They are observing, part handling and handling ship under direct supervision of a licensed pilot. Trainees Gallo and Barron have completed testing for their federal pilotage with the US Coast Guard and have a few trips to and from Sacramento to raise their pilotage licenses to unlimited first-class pilot. In closed session, all trainees were individually interviewed and counseled on their progress in the training program. Time was spent answering their questions and concerns they had. As of now, all trainees are meeting recommended benchmarks and are progressing at their own rate.

The next PEC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 04, 2024, at 0730 in this office.

Agenda item B: Probation or dismissal

No action currently

Agenda item C: Completing training program

No action currently

Agenda item D: Issue state license

No action currently

Respectfully given, Captain Paul Ruff