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CAPTAIN OF THE PORT, WESTERN ALASKA NAVIGATION SAFETY ADVISORY

Dear Mariner:

Ice conditions in Cook Inlet have vastly improved over the last several weeks. Favorable temperature forecasts make it unlikely that we will see any significant recurrence of ice this year. Due to the reduced risk presented by ice in Cook Inlet, Captain of the Port, Western Alaska no longer requests vessels file voyage plans with this office, or present themselves for ice examinations. Thank you for your vigilant seamanship in keeping this an incident-free ice season. Additional information including a copy of this advisory and the text of the Winter Operating Guidelines can be found at Sector Anchorage's Homeport website.

Voyage Plans should be sent to: D17-pf-anc-sdoanc@uscg.mil
Coast Pilot 9 is available online at: <http://chartmaker.ncd.noaa.gov/nsd/coastpilot9.htm>
NOAA Ice Desk is available online at: <http://pafc.arh.noaa.gov/ice.php?img=cookice>
COTP website is: <http://homeport.uscg.mil/anchorage>

Questions regarding this advisory or the Winter Operating Guidelines may be directed to Petty Officer Gary Bullock at (907) 271-6721.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "H. M. Hamilton".

H. M. Hamilton
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard
Captain of the Port Western Alaska

Copy: Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District (dpi, dpw)
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