**Pursuant to:**

**The US Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), title 40 “Protection of Environment”, part 122.22 (Part 122: EPA Administered Permit Programs: The NPDES, Subpart B “Permit Applications and Special NPDES Program Requirements”) and the EPA Vessel General Permit (VGP), part 4.1.1.1 “Documentation of [the Routine] Vessel Inspection”**

***(Reference*** [***EMM***](http://srv-glas301:82/Leisure/content/parent%20category%20topics/procedures%20and%20operations/emm.htm) ***> 8.0 Vessel General Permit (VGP), forms USVGP 02 and 03)***

Persons who conduct inspections and/or record related information with regards to the following VGP required shipboard self inspections:

* Ship’s Watch (4hrs) Visual Monitoring of Water
* Weekly Routine Visual Inspection

shall be signatories under the US 40CFR122.22.

A Signatory onboard a vessel includes the person in charge – The Master, or his duly authorized representatives.

The Master will designate representatives and authorize them for conducting and/or recording the VGP required self inspections as described above and in the next attachments. The designation of ranks/positions is to be supported by a dedicated Master’s Standing Order

The Master and each authorized representative when signing a document required under the VGP as per [EMM](http://srv-glas301:82/Leisure/content/parent%20category%20topics/procedures%20and%20operations/emm.htm) > 8.0 Vessel General Permit (VGP) with regards to the information they have provided or signed for on VMS forms USVGP 02 “Weekly Routine Visual Inspection“ and 03 “Ship's Watch (4 hrs) Visual Monitoring Log” are bound by their signatures therewith by the following certification:

**I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted.**

**Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete.**

**I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.**

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*This Form contains 3 [three] Attachments*

*This form and its Attachments is to be kept with the VMS forms USVGP 02 and 03 and filed for a minimum of three years.*

*Attachment 1*

*Ship Name:*

***Masters***

*My signature herewith stands for the affidavit statement on the front sheet of this document for my signatures on the referenced VMS report forms USVGP 02 and 03 .*

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*Attachment 2*

*Ship Name:*

*Designation of Ranks and Persons for conducting the:*

Ship’s Watch (4hrs) Visual Monitoring of Water

(reference [EMM](http://srv-glas301:82/Leisure/content/parent%20category%20topics/procedures%20and%20operations/emm.htm) > 8.0 Vessel General Permit (VGP) and VMS form USVGP 03 “Ship's Watch (4 hrs) Visual Monitoring Log”)

*I , the Master, designate the following ranks and persons for conducting and recording this inspection*

*I, the designated person, by signing herewith certify my signature stands for the affidavit statement on the front sheet of this document for my signature on the referenced VMS report form USVGP 03 “Ship's Watch (4 hrs) Visual Monitoring Log”*

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*Attachment 3*

*Ship Name:*

*Designation of Ranks and Persons for conducting the:*

Weekly Routine Visual Inspection

(reference [EMM](http://srv-glas301:82/Leisure/content/parent%20category%20topics/procedures%20and%20operations/emm.htm) > 8.0 Vessel General Permit (VGP)and VMS form USVGP 02 “Weekly Routine Visual Inspection”)

*I , the Master, designate the following ranks and persons for conducting and recording this inspection*

*I, the designated person, by signing herewith certify my signature stands for the affidavit statement on the front sheet of this document for my signature on the referenced VMS report form USVGP 02 “Weekly Routine Visual Inspection”*

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