MEMORANDUM

TO: All Interested Parties

FROM: Robyn Barineau, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Examination for Certificated Deputy Pilot Openings in the Ports of Key West, Panama City, and Port Everglades

DATE: October 7, 2013

If you are interested in applying for the opening(s) in the Port(s) of Key West, Panama City, and/or Port Everglades, please submit a completed application and a non-refundable application fee of $200 for each port you are applying for. The completed application(s) must be returned to the Department on or before December 9, 2013, however, we encourage you to make application as soon as possible. Please mail your application(s) to the following address:

DBPR/Professions
Board of Pilot Commissioners
P O Box 5377
Tallahassee, FL 32314-5377.

The application is available via the Department’s website at www.MyFloridaLicense.com > Apply for/update licenses > Harbor Pilots.

Please note that there will be at least one opening for each of the Ports. Applicants will be notified at the examination if the number of openings increases.

The March 13 & 14, 2014, Deputy Pilot Examination is currently scheduled as follows:

DATE: Thursday and Friday, March 13 & 14, 2014
SITE: Osceola Heritage Park
Exhibition Building
1901 Chief Osceola Trail
Kissimmee, FL 34744-6112
TIME: 7:30 a.m.

The examination will consist of the following:

1. (a) Rules of the road, International
   (b) Rules of the road, Inland
   (c) Seamanship and Shiphandling
   (d) Federal and State Pilotage Laws and Regulations
2. (a) Local Knowledge of Port
(b) Port Chart Work

Prospective applicants are advised to contact the applicable port for information concerning local conditions including but not limited to:
   1. Number of pilots
   2. Training program in effect
   3. Present and projected volume of business
   4. Compensation as a deputy and later as a state pilot

All applicants should carefully review the provisions of Rule 61G14-11.002, Florida Administrative Code, regarding acceptable sea service and Rule 61G14-20.001, Florida Administrative Code, regarding the required physical and drug test. Applicants submitting service on vessels which may be engaged in operations other than the usual commercial service would be well advised to submit a copy of the Vessel’s Certificate of Inspection with their application. This will insure full credit for service in accordance with the legally required manning standards. Such vessels might include mobile offshore drilling units, self-propelled dredges, etc. Applicants presenting service on towing vessels must document the tonnage of both the barge and vessel being towed.

Chart Description:
Key West:
Key West/Boca Grande/Fort Myers:
a. Key West- The area from the vicinity of the Key West sea buoy at Sand Key including all the approaches and the channels leading to all docks utilized by commercial vessels. This includes all slips and berths in the Port of Key West, the turning basin, approaches to and facilities at Stock Island as well as the approach via Northwest Channel. (Chart 11441, 11445 and 11447)
b. Boca Grande- The area from the vicinity of Charlotte Harbor Entrance buoy #2 via the federal channel to the facilities at Boca Grande including the surrounding areas to the ICW. (Charts 11425 and 11426)
c. Ft. Myers- The area from the vicinity of San Carlos Bay Light (26-25.1N 81-57.5W) via the dredged cut through Matanzas Pass to the turning basin located above the fixed highway bridge connecting Estero Island and San Carlos Island in the vicinity of beacon 26. (Charts 11426 and 11427)

Panama City:
The area from the vicinity of (a) the St. Andrews Bay Entrance Buoy into the bay and then north to and including the Hathaway Bridge and south to and including the Dupont Bridge and the ICW. (Charts 11389 and 11391)

Port Everglades:
The area from the vicinity of the sea buoy to and including all docks and channels utilized by vessels which require or request pilotage. This will include all slips and berths in Port Everglades, the turning basin, the north extension to and including the
17th Street causeway bridge, the south extension, the ICW south to the Dania Cut-off Canal, and the Dania Cut-off Canal to and including the US 1 Highway Bridge.

(Chart 11470)

If you have any questions regarding this information, please do not hesitate to contact our office. Our telephone number is 850.717.1980 or you can send an e-mail to elise.rice@myfloridalicense.com.

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