

# FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

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**DOCKET NO. 14-13**

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**METRO FREIGHT SERVICES, INC. d/b/a MARITIME EXPRESS LINES –  
POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS OF  
SECTION 19(e)(3) OF THE SHIPPING ACT OF 1984 AND 46 C.F.R. PART 515**

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## **JOINT STATUS REPORT**

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Pursuant to the Initial Order issued by Chief Administrative Law Judge Clay G. Guthridge (ALJ) and served in the above proceeding on October 1, 2014, the Bureau of Enforcement (BOE) and Respondent Metro Freight Services, Inc. d/b/a Maritime Express Lines (Respondent), through counsel, submit this Joint Status Report.

BOE initiated its discovery on October 21, 2014. Additional discovery is contemplated. As of this date, Respondent has not initiated discovery.

BOE served its Initial Disclosures on November 5, 2014. As of this date, Respondent has not served Initial Disclosures.

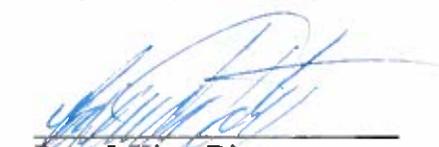
On November 14, 2014, counsel met and discussed the issues involved in this proceeding, explored the possibility of settlement, and agreed to the submission of this joint status report containing the schedule proposed herein. Respondent's answer was timely filed and served on October 31, 2014. Consequently, the dates set forth in the proposed schedule below emanate from that date.

The parties have agreed upon the following schedule:

- February 27, 2015 - Last date to serve written discovery requests
- March 30, 2015 - All discovery to be completed
- April 13, 2015 - Rule 95 statements to be submitted
- May 13, 2015 - BOE to file proposed findings of fact, brief and appendix

- June 12, 2015 - Respondent to file its proposed findings of fact, brief and appendix
- July 2, 2015 - BOE may file a reply brief
- September 29, 2015 - ALJ Initial Decision due

Respectfully submitted,



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