

## **Adm Thad Allen, National Incident Commander, Comments Regarding the Jones Act**

"We at no time in the course of this response have been inhibited by anything having to do with what we call the Jones Act. All of the vessels that are operating outside three miles do not require a Jones Act waiver and we've been able to use four or five vessels out there, as we have needed. There have been no inhibitions or constraints put on this response related to any Jones Act waivers moving forward."

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