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## CALIFORNIA MARITIME ACADEMY OFFERS SPILL RESPONSE TRAINING Six Dates Available for West Coast in 2006

(Vallejo, CA – May 5, 2006)...The California Maritime Academy's Extended Learning Program, in partnership with BlueWater & Associates, Inc., and Amergent Technologies will offer six three-day training seminars for oil and chemical spill responders on the West Coast during 2006.

The program combines classroom training with hands-on experience in the deployment of response boats, booms and skimmers, spill response strategies and command post coordination. The program complies with state and federal regulations for spill training and is recommended for spill responders, marine terminal supervisors and managers, incident commanders and emergency managers, both as a first-time program and as an annual refresher course.

The program is being offered to all qualified individuals on the West Coast.

Northern California - California Maritime Academy, Vallejo, CA:

May 9-11, July 18-20 (this class is filled), or Sept. 26-28, 2006

Southern California - Terminal Island Training Center, Long Beach, CA:

June 6-8, Aug. 1-3 or Nov. 7-9, 2006

Cost of the program is \$950 for the three days, including training manual and all course materials.

Cal Maritime's Extended Learning Program offers a broad range of additional Emergency Preparedness training programs. On the planning schedule are:

- Hazardous Waste Operator Technician Level (24 hr)
- Hazardous Waste Operator Specialist Level (40 hr)
- Spill Response School with on-water hands-on experience
- NIMS Incident Command 100/200
- NIMS Incident Command 300
- NIMS Incident Command Section Level
- NIMS Incident Command Safety Officer
- NIMS Incident Command for Transportation Security
- MTSA Facility/ Vessel Security Officer
- Effective Exercise Design and Management

For additional information, to register for any one of the offered seminars, or to be notified when course dates are set, contact The California Maritime Academy Extended Learning Program at 707-654-1157.

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