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Re: Certificate of Title for Boats

Message from the Chairman

I'm sure all members of the committee are aware of your appointment to the drafting committee and are wondering when our work will begin. Having personally experienced some of the pitfalls of previous drafting committees, I wanted to make sure that our observer list would include the players required to get a final bill through the various state legislatures.

The Executive Director, John Sebert, our reporter, Steve Sepinuck, and myself have either met with or contacted by conference call representatives of the National Association of Boat Law Administrators (NASBLA) and the Boating Safety Division and Vessel Documentation Center of the U.S. Coast Guard. Our next order of business will be to discuss potential "hot button" issues with members of the committee via a telephone conference. Prior to the call, I would welcome members of the committee to look at the websites of both NASBLA and the Coast Guard Division and Center for background information.

Our telephone conference will be set up through the Chicago office. The Chicago office will also be polling for our first meeting date that will not be held until after the annual meeting in Sante Fe.

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