§ 165.530 Safety Zone: Cape Fear and Northeast Cape Fear Rivers, NC.

(a) Location. The following area is a moving safety zone during the specified conditions: The waters of the Cape Fear and Northeast Cape Fear Rivers for 500 yards ahead and astern, and 75 yards abeam of a vessel carrying hazardous materials when designated by the Captain of the Port, North Carolina.

(b) General Information. (1) The Captain of the Port and the Command Duty Officer at Sector North Carolina can be contacted at telephone number (877) 229-0160 or (910) 722-2200. The Coast Guard Patrol Commander enforcing the safety zone can be contacted on VHF-FM channels 16 and 81.

(2) The Captain of the Port may authorize and designate any Coast Guard commissioned, warrant, or petty officer to act on his behalf in enforcing this safety zone.

(3) Sector North Carolina will notify the maritime community of periods during which this safety zone will be in effect by providing advance notice of scheduled arrivals and departures of loaded hazardous materials vessels via a marine Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

(c) Regulation. The general regulations governing safety zones contained in §165.23 apply. Vessels may not enter the safety zone without first obtaining permission from the Captain of the Port (COTP) Delaware Bay.

(d) Dates. This section is enforced annually on the second Saturday in May and the following day.

§ 165.540 Regulated Navigation Area; Cape Fear River, Northeast Cape Fear River, Wilmington, North Carolina.

(a) Description of the Regulated Navigation Area (RNA). The RNA encompasses all waters of the Cape Fear River and Northeast Cape Fear River from the intersection of Bald Head Shoal Channel and Smith Island Channel (centerline coordinates Latitude 33°52′26″ N, Longitude 78°06′29″ W (NAD 83)) to mile 26.7 on the Northeast Cape Fear River.

(b) Work areas. Dredging work within the RNA will be conducted in five distinct areas: Ocean Bar II, Horseshoe Shoal, Passing Lane & Anchorage Basin, Big Island, and the Northeast Cape Fear River. Drilling or blasting is expected to occur within the Passing Lane & Anchorage Basin, Big Island, and the Northeast Cape Fear River work areas. The blast sites within the