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MEDIA ALERT

Oct 4: Port of Albany to conduct annual Security Drill

WHAT:

The Albany Port District Commission and state/local first responders will be conducting its annual U.S. Coast Guard mandated, multi-agency, full-scale drill.

Operation Coms Incident is being held at Port of Albany offices and will be a tabletop exercise only. No assets will be deployed during this four-hour exercise, designed to test the communication capabilities between multiple emergency response agencies.

WHEN:

Friday, October 4

9:00 am – 2:00 pm

WHO:

Participants include: Albany Port District Commission Security and Maintenance, US Coast Guard, local law enforcement and fire departments, U.S. Customs & Border Patrol, Terminal Operator Logistec, NYS Police Drone Unit, Albany County Emergency Management, Dept of Homeland Security, DEC, Regional Hazmat Team, and Rensselaer Emergency Management.

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With four transport modes -- ocean vessels, barges, freight railroads, interstate highways -- the Port of Albany is Upstate New York's largest public port/logistics hub and serves as a Port of Entry with on-site U.S. Customs office and bonded warehouse. The Port includes deep-water (31') access and nearly 450 acres of land on both sides of the Hudson River including a total of 5,400 LF of wharf, with an additional 500 LF planned. The Port of Albany is open and active year-round and is located 124 nautical miles north of the Battery in New York Harbor. The facility is currently undertaking nearly \$72 million in maritime upgrades as well as \$700+ million port expansion investments. For more information, visit www.portofalbany.us