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From the Bridge

It has been a little more than a year since our last edition of The Clipper. I am pleased to share that our team has been working hard to continue to provide the highest quality of service to you, our compliance partners, as we endeavor to work through ever challenging hurdles that continue to evolve and impact our industry. I am thankful to all of my GMS colleagues who work tirelessly to ensure that our client base remain in good standing with regulatory requirements and well informed of the latest developments impacting your trade to North America.

As you are aware from information we've shared at our global seminars, our team has been working diligently on our new software system: GEMS 2.0. Incidentally, the term "GEMS" is an acronym for "Gallagher Enhanced Management System" which is Gallagher Marine Systems' legacy database for plans management and maintenance while also supporting our QI/Incident Management functions. GEMS 2.0 will be the culmination of a year's long process in combining the legacy GMS database with the legacy ECM Maritime Services (GMS acquired ECM in July of 2023) database. We are excited to roll this product out in the coming months and look forward to providing you with improved, streamlined services and an improved GMS Client Portal. Our Ms. Andrea Presutti and Mr. Scott May have provided a detailed overview of this system and our plans for implementing it moving forward within this edition of The Clipper.

It is with great regret and sadness that GMS has once again suffered the loss of an integral part of the company in Steve Garcia who passed away in January after a courageous fight with cancer. Steve was an energetic, positive colleague, incredible role model and mentor and, most importantly, friend to all at GMS. Kevin Perry has written tribute to Steve within this newsletter. Steve wanted our team to continue in his memory and we are eager to do so in his honor.

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With that, GMS has been steadily growing our suite of services along with our customer base. Accordingly, our team of professionals is growing as well. We have added several new staff members who have a variety of interesting backgrounds and experience that diversify and solidify our capabilities to a new level. I am so impressed with all that they have added to our depth which you will soon enjoy as well as you begin to work with them. We have provided a general introduction to several of these new employees in the following pages.

Finally, as many of you know from our Advisory 09-26, our Senior Vice President of Technical Services, Captain Kuldeep Singh, has decided to retire. However, I am pleased to say that we were able to persuade him into remaining with our team on a part-time basis where he will support the Technical Services team. With that, we are delighted to share that our Captain Nishit Kapoor has undertaken the role of Senior Vice President Technical Services with an effective date of April 1, 2026. Nishit has a wealth of experience and is excited to embark in his new role with GMS. We have provided more on this within this latest edition.

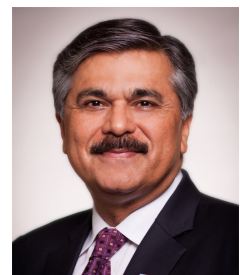
As the seasons change to the warmth of spring and summer, I wish you all the best in health and happiness and will hope to see many of you during my travels this year. As always, we welcome your visit to our office in Moorestown, New Jersey should you ever be passing through. I will hope to see you soon!

With best regards –
Tom Wiker – President

Sayonara - Captain Kuldeep Singh

As we noted in our Advisory 09-26, our Captain Kuldeep Singh has decided to retire after 22 years of dedicated service to GMS. Kuldeep has made a profound impact on GMS as his many contributions continue to serve as cornerstones in policy, document deliverables, checklists, workflows and so much more. Most of you are well aware of his wealth of knowledge and expertise in this industry and have so often communicated with Kuldeep to seek his assistance in working through complex issues that challenge your trade not only to North America but around the globe. Kuldeep's fluency with U.S. and International regulations and policies has enabled him to serve our client's needs since he arrived at GMS from ship management back in 2004. I am pleased to say that Kuldeep has agreed to remain with GMS on a part-time basis to support our Technical Services team. We understand he has nearly completed his tasks at home and is eager to start back to GMS in lending his knowledge to our team and yours.

We are pleased to announce that our Captain Nishit Kapoor has taken over as Senior Vice President of GMS Technical Services with effect on April 1st, 2026. Nishit previously fulfilled this role with ECM Maritime Services prior to their merger with GMS back in 2023. Captain Kapoor brings with him a knowledge base and skill set that will ensure a seamless transition into this role. Nishit brings strong experience in the rapidly evolving and challenging maritime regulatory realm, drawing upon experience of over 42 years that includes Tanker and offshore operations, ship building, third-party ship management, ship security, HSEQ administration + management systems, and P&I/H&M claims handling. You will have the opportunity to meet Captain Kapoor at one of our upcoming seminars in 2026.



Best wishes to Kuldeep as he moves into a partial retirement role and to Nishit as he takes over our Technical Services Department and leads that team into the future!



On the Horizon – GEMS 2.0

We are very excited to formally announce the upcoming launch of our new software platform, GEMS 2.0. This is a major step forward in how we manage compliance partner information, support their needs, and strengthen our readiness for quality response. This innovative system builds upon the strong foundation we have established in delivering exceptional service to our compliance partners, while positioning us to take full advantage of the latest technology. By modernizing our tools and processes, we are not just enhancing efficiency, we are also empowering our employees with the resources they need to serve our clients even better.

As part of GEMS 2.0, we will also be introducing an upgraded version of our Client Portal, designed to give all Vessel Contingency Planholders 24/7 access to their plan details, essential tools, and key deliverables. This enhanced portal expands convenience and transparency, allowing users to easily review information and stay up to date on their compliance activities at any time. In addition, GMS Planholders will have the option to submit new service requests directly through the portal as another way we are working to streamline processes, improve communication, and work more efficiently to deliver the exceptional support our compliance partners rely on.

We are eager to begin this next phase of innovation and efficiency together. Our compliance partners will be contacted directly with details on when access to the new Client Portal becomes available. We appreciate your continued partnership and look forward to delivering an even stronger, more connected platform that supports your needs and strengthens our shared commitment to excellence.

Focus Training Seminars (FTS)

Pursuant to Client Advisory 04-26, we are pleased to confirm that all seminars for 2026 have been booked and are currently online and open for registration at <https://register.gallaghermarine.com/>. While our upcoming seminars are listed below, we would like to take this time and remind our partners regarding certain events to allow everyone to save those dates. To learn more about these events, please reach out to us at dnt@gallaghermarine.com.

- Qualified Individual Course – located at GMS NJ HQ from July 20-22nd.
- New Jersey Seminar – Thursday July 23rd and Friday July 24th.
- Naples Symposium - Thursday, September 10th – we have some exciting updates regarding this event so be on the lookout for our official Save the Date coming soon.
- London Symposium & Seminar – Monday, November 16th and Tuesday, November 17th.

GMS FOCUS TRAINING SEMINARS		
COUNTRY	LOCATION	DATE/TIME
Athens, Greece	Divani Apollon Palace & Thalasso 10 Ag. Nikolaou & Iliou Str 166 71 Athens	23 April 2026
Istanbul, Turkey	DoubleTree Istanbul Moda Caferaga Mh Albay F Sozdener Cd 31 Istanbul 34710 Turkey	27 April 2026

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Tokyo, Japan	Kaiun Club Kauin Building, 2-6-4 Hirakawa-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo	4 June 2026
Kobe, Japan	The Orient (ex - The Oriental Hotel) 25 Kyomachi Chuo-ku, Kobe	8 June 2026
Imabari, Japan	Imabari Kokusai Hotel 2-3-4 Asahimachi, Imabari, Matsuyama, 794-0042	11 June 2026
Oslo, Norway	Scandic Hotels Sjolyst Plass 5, NO-0212, Oslo	16 June 2026
Hamburg, Germany	Hamburg Marriott Hotel ABC Straße 52, 20354 Hamburg	19 June 2026
Rotterdam, Netherlands	Rotterdam Marriott Hotel Weena 686, 3012CN, Rotterdam	22 June 2026
Galloway, New Jersey	Seaview, a Dolce Hotel Galloway NJ	23-24 July 2026

Welcome Aboard!

We are pleased to announce the following additions to our growing Team:

Steven Gabelein – Emergency Response. Steven will be serving as our Alaska Response Manager. Steven brings more than a decade of experience in Alaskan oil spill response, regulatory compliance, and collaboration with federal and state agencies, making him an exceptional addition to the GMS Team. His previous work with our close partner, the Alaska Chadox Network, showcased his strong leadership, technical expertise, and forward-thinking nature by developing Alternative Planning Criteria (APC) programs, creating advanced tools such as the STARS GIS platform, and supporting hundreds of clients across Alaska. Furthermore, Steven is highly experienced in remote based operations, independent decision making, and stakeholder engagement across Alaska, the Lower 48, and international environments. He has also served in numerous regions across Alaska as a member of the Aleutian Islands Waterway Safety Committee, the Arctic and Western Alaska Area Committee, and as a facilitator for the Western Alaska Tanker Lightering Best Practices Committee. In 2024, Steven was one of 30 international participants selected to study Arctic policy, conduct stakeholder engagement, and complete a high-level policy simulation with the Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme, the Arctic Economic Council, and the Finnish Environment Institute. Steven earned his Bachelor’s Degree in Environmental Studies from Gonzaga University, where he also competed as a member of their Division I College Rowing Team. Recently, Steven also completed his Master of Marine Policy from the University of Alaska Fairbanks. Originally from Whidbey Island, WA, Steven, his wife Lauren, and their daughter Nora reside in Juneau, AK.

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We are pleased to announce the following additions to our growing Team:

Nick Dittmar - Preparedness Coordinator | Emergency Preparedness. Nick started full time with GMS in August of 2025 after completing an internship with Gallagher in July of 2025. Nick graduated from The University of Alabama (Roll Tide) in May of 2025 with a bachelor's degree in Finance along with a minor in Sales. When not working, Nick spends most of his time at a golf course, and has been playing the game since the young age of 3. He also has a passion for collecting sports cards and memorabilia, frequently attending shows all over the east coast always looking for the next unique piece of sports history.

Chris White - United States Coast Guard (USCG Ret) - Senior Marine Inspector | Technical Services. Originally from Vacaville, California, Chris White is a retired U.S. Coast Guard veteran with 20+ years of military leadership and experience in the Marine Safety realm regarding Foreign Vessel Examinations, Waterfront Facilities Inspections and Pollution Response. Throughout his career, he worked extensively with Bulk Carriers, Container Ships, Oil/Product Tankers, Chem Tankers, and Passenger Ships conducting PSC Examinations as well as Certificate of Compliance exams, and MARPOL investigations throughout the US. Chris now lives in Buckley, Washington, with his wife Blake and their newborn daughter, Hudson.

In his free time, he enjoys watching football and baseball, cheering for the San Francisco 49ers and Giants, working on his 1965 Mustang, playing guitar, and traveling the world with his family.

Olivia Summerville – Plans Coordinator. Olivia joined GMS in July after graduating from the University of Delaware in May 2025 with a Bachelor's degree in Global Enterprise Management. Her background as a World Scholar—including semesters in both Madrid, Spain (Fall 2022) and Sydney, Australia (Spring 2024)—gives her a great appreciation for the global reach of GMS. When she isn't working, Olivia keeps busy through golfing, dancing (Tap, Jazz and Hiphop), or hitting the slopes with friends. She's also a regular in Sea Isle City, NJ and a die-hard Eagles fan. You will always find her tailgating home games with family and friends (all are welcome—reach out)!

Jamar Jones - United States Coast Guard (USCG Ret) - Senior Marine Inspector | Technical Services. A seasoned expert in maritime safety and regulatory enforcement, Jamar brings over 22 years of service as an officer in the U.S. Coast Guard, where he led high-profile investigations and inspections of LNG/LPG carriers, chemical tankers, and domestic barges. Throughout his distinguished career, he has conducted more than 450 maritime investigations, collaborated with local, state, and federal agencies, as well as implemented critical safety protocols across the Houston Ship Channel.

Originally from Central Maine, Jamar has called Houston home for the past decade, where he lives with his wife and three children. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Professional Aeronautics from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and maintains multiple certifications in advanced marine inspection, casualty response, and safety compliance. Outside of work, he enjoys watching and attending sporting events, and traveling with his family.



Tell us what you think!

Your opinion matters to us. We would greatly appreciate it if you could take a few moments to share your thoughts on THE CLIPPER and whether or not you enjoy reading it. Please email smay@gallaghermarine.com.



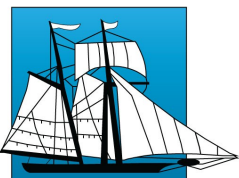
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Eight Bells—Steve M. Garcia

It's with a heavy heart and great sadness that we report the recent passing of Steve Garcia who served for several years as the former Director of Emergency Response . Steve found his way to GMS, like a lot of us, by word of mouth but also by working with fellow GMS employees, Tom Wiker and Rick Yelton, when they all served together in the USCG. It was in those early years of working together, knowing Steve's work ethic and who he was as a person that made him a perfect fit for the GMS family many years later.

Knowing Steve was a privilege; he was a truly remarkable individual and a constant source of inspiration to everyone around him. Steve was a great leader that knew how to lead by example and how to lift up those around him. Even as Steve was in for the fight of his life the last two years, he still took time to reach out and ensure everyone was having a good day. Steve loved his family, all his animals, and enjoyed playing guitar and listening to music.



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