



**ABANDONED VESSEL SUPPLEMENTAL FORM – INITIAL CERTIFICATION
VESSELS REPORTED AS ABANDONED FOR NON-PAYMENT**

Please see the clarification on the reverse side

In order to further establish the facts with respect to your Notice of Abandoned Vessel for non-payment, please complete this form and the certification, below. Failure to complete this form its entirety will result in the rejection of your Notice of Abandoned Vessel.

Please provide the following information:

1. Vessel registration number, hull identification number, or description:
2. Name of the vessel owner, their address, and any additional contact information:

Please answer the following questions:

1. Do you have a signed contract with the owner? NO YES If yes, please attach the contract.
2. When was the last time you received a full payment?
3. What is the current balance as of the date of this certification?
4. Of the account balance provided in response to question 3 above, how much is more than one year past due?

Please complete the following certification:

I certify that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments thereto, and I certify that based on reasonable investigation, including my inquiry of those individuals responsible for obtaining the information, the submitted information is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any false statement made in the submitted information may be punishable as a criminal offense under section 53a-157b of the Connecticut General Statutes and in accordance with any applicable statute.

Signature of Party with Standing _____ Date: _____

Name of Party with Standing (Print or type) _____

Title (If applicable) _____

Note: DEEP offers the following clarification regarding the presumption that a vessel “left at a storage facility, repair facility or other commercial facility for more than one year since receipt of the last full payment by such facility” is abandoned in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes (“CGS”) § 15-140c(a)(4).

1. The presumption must be supported by an initial and final certification or affidavit from the party with standing further establishing the facts of the reported abandonment. The Commissioner may seek financial information, including invoices, proof of payment, account status etc. from the party with standing that filed the Notice of Abandoned Vessel or from the vessel owner.
2. A vessel owner may rebut the presumption of vessel abandonment by (1) notifying in writing both DEEP and the Party with Standing that the vessel owner did not and does not intend to abandon the subject vessel and, (2) establishing that any account balance with the Party with Standing that filed the Notice of Abandoned Vessel is not more than one-year past due at the time the Notice of Abandoned Vessel was filed or at any time prior to the ownership transfer date of the vessel as established by the commissioner pursuant to CGS Section 15-140c.
3. The vessel owner and the Party with Standing shall notify DEEP of any attempted or accepted payment. Should DEEP determine that such payment or offer of payment was valid and that such payment or offer of payment was or would have been sufficient to bring the balance owed on the vessel to not more than one-year past due, DEEP shall consider the matter closed and shall not reconsider a subsequent filing for abandonment for the same vessel due to non-payment of storage fees until six months have elapsed since such closure.

Vessels presumed to be abandoned at a mooring will be handled in a similar manner to determine whether a mooring payment is more than 60-days past due in accordance with CGS § 15-140c(a)(3).