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Attn: CMSG Members

This notice is to announce that Capt. Neil MacDougall stepped down as President of the CMSG Western Branch effective August 21st, 2013. In accordance with the Guild By-laws, the Western Branch Executive Board held a meeting on August 22nd and appointed Capt. Mike Armstrong to the position of Western Branch President until the next elections in September 2014. Capt. Armstrong has been a representative of the Fraser River Pilots for many years providing valuable assistance and leadership on a number of Guild boards and committees and is currently the Chairman of the Fraser River Pilots.

The National Board of the Guild congratulates Capt. Armstrong as the new Western Branch President and welcomes him as the newest National Board Member and sends thanks to all the excellent candidates on the Western Branch Executive Board who expressed an interest in being appointed to this position. Capt. Armstrong emphasized his intention to promote increased input from all Executive Board members, to encourage a smooth transition as he takes on his new role and responsibilities, and to make efforts to strengthen the Guild as a National organization.

I look forward to working closely with Capt. Armstrong and the entire Western Branch Executive Board and Western Branch staff during the challenging times that the Guild is facing in all sectors. The Branch Board meeting was productive and worthwhile and a follow-up Board meeting will be held within the coming weeks to address a number of important issues that are still outstanding. During the Board meeting it was announced by Secretary-Treasurer Zulema Sanabria, that Bill Wylie, Vice-President of Engineers and Peter Mercer, GSO Vice-President Engineers, had been re-elected by acclamation for three-year terms and these two Western Branch Board members were thanked and congratulated.

I request that this notice be sent to all Members in the Western Branch by electronic means, if possible, and to also be posted on the CMSG website with a copy to employer-side contacts where appropriate.

The Guild will continue to keep Members informed regarding important developments.

Yours truly,

Mark Boucher
National President