

Automated Mutual Assistance Vessel Rescue System
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CHART YOUR COURSE WITH AMVER AT SHIPPING 2009 **Amver exhibiting at the Connecticut Maritime Association annual exhibition**

NEW YORK – It's springtime in Connecticut which means daffodils, tulips, and shipping moguls are popping up around Stamford, Connecticut. Join Amver in booth G-104 as the Connecticut Maritime Association shipping exhibition kicks off March 23rd through the 25th at the Stamford Hilton.

Never wanting to miss an opportunity to recruit more vessels, Amver is looking forward to connecting with current participants, old friends, and Coast Guard shipmates. Perhaps we will see you there as well.

Amver will be proving updates throughout the conference so if you can't make it to Stamford this year you can participate remotely by reading the Amver blog at <http://www.amveruscg.blogspot.com> or by following Amver on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/Amver>.

Amver, sponsored by the United States Coast Guard, is a unique, computer-based, and voluntary global ship reporting system used worldwide by search and rescue authorities to arrange for assistance to persons in distress at sea. With Amver, rescue coordinators can identify participating ships in the area of distress and divert the best-suited ship or ships to respond. Prior to sailing, participating ships send a sail plan to the Amver computer center. Vessels then report every 48 hours until arriving at their port of call. This data is able to project the position of each ship at any point during its voyage. In an emergency, any rescue coordination center can request this data to determine the relative position of Amver ships near the distress location. On any given day there are over 3,500 ships available to carry out search and rescue services. Visit <http://www.amver.com> to learn more about this unique worldwide search and rescue system.

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