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Mr. Shawn Ireland  
Director, Office of Ship Disposal Programs  
MAR-640  
Maritime Administration  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

Subject: NRC Office of Investigations Case No. 1-2016-020

Dear Mr. Ireland:

The Region I Field Office, NRC Office of Investigations (OI), initiated an investigation (Case No. 1-2016-020) on September 21 2016, to determine whether an individual was discriminated against for raising safety concerns, while employed by Tote Services and working on the NS Savannah. Based upon documentary and testimonial evidence developed during the OI investigation, the NRC did not substantiate that the individual was subject to discrimination for raising safety concerns.

Please note that final NRC investigation documents, such as the OI report described above, may be made available to the public under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) subject to redaction of information appropriate under the FOIA. Requests under the FOIA should be made in accordance with 10 CFR 9.23, Requests for Records. Additional information is available on the NRC website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/foia/foia-privacy.html>.

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No response to this letter is required. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Nicole Warnek, of my staff, at (610) 337-6954.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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Team Leader  
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