

Table 1: Demonstration of N-RAT Relative Risk Ranking.

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Below is a summary of the application requirements for these interim rules based on the N-RAT results:

Applicability Evaluation for Ports

The N-RAT results focused on individual vessel types and facilities subject to the authority of the Coast Guard. Scenarios were also developed that involved port transportation infrastructure that is vital to the port communities such as bridges, channel openings, and tunnels. This evaluation led to the conclusion that many structures within a port are also at risk of a transportation security incident and therefore should be covered by security measures. Therefore, we determined it would be appropriate to include specific guidance in part 103 to have the Area Maritime Security (AMS) Plan address

these types of transportation infrastructure as well as those smaller vessels or facilities that fall below the transportation security incident threshold. This application for the AMS ensures all maritime concerns are assessed and security is systematically evaluated nationwide.

Applicability Evaluation for Vessels

The N-RAT results indicate the following vessel types are at a high risk of a transportation security incident and therefore are required to meet specific security measures as laid out in part 104 of subchapter H:

- All ships, both cargo and passenger, that are subject to SOLAS;
- All vessels greater than 100 gross register tons that are subject to 46 CFR subchapter I (this includes vessels on the Great Lakes);

- All barges subject to 46 CFR subchapter I engaged on an international voyage;
- All domestic passenger vessels subject to 46 CFR subchapters H and K;
- All barges, regardless of route, which are subject to 46 CFR subchapter D and O;
- All tank ships, regardless of route, which are subject to 46 CFR subchapters D and O;
- All Mobile Offshore Drilling Units (MODUs) subject to 46 CFR subchapter I-A;
- All vessels subject to 46 CFR subchapter L;
- All towing vessels greater than 8 meters in registered length that are engaged in towing barges which are subject to 46 CFR subchapter D & O; and
- All towing vessels greater than 8 meters in registered length that are