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From: Bar Harbor Harbormaster [bhhmaster@acadia.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2003 12:19 PM
To: Richardson, Hetty L
Subject: Re: LD 1271 -- cruise ship discharges [mx_ADV?]

Dear Hetty,

I received your e-mail, and the 24th morning would be best for me at this point. I've got cruise ships (2) the 11th and a Town Council meeting on the 15th. I will attend if at all possible. The main issues concerning me are contaminated water being discharged while Cruise Ships are at anchor in Bar Harbor. There should be sufficient holding capacity on board the ships so that the waste water could be stored on board and pumped off when the ship is 3 or more miles offshore and out of state waters. If there are more stringent Federal Regs. in place, then those should be adhered to by the ships. I'm not aware of any restriction on gray water discharge, and I feel there should be. I am taking this issue (LD 1271) to both Harbor and Marine Resources Committees for their input. We have meetings scheduled for July 7th and 16th for the respective committees.

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Harbor Master