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Hi Shaun,

That sounds good. You can add that we used to use a SOOP cargo line for North Pacific deployments also, but this was canceled in ... 2011? Or was it 2010? ... due to funding cuts.

Best,  
Rick

On 10/22/2012 05:05 PM, Shaun Dolk wrote:

> Hi Rick,  
> Will you please review the drafted email below.  
> I'm not sure what you and Richard have discussed thus far, so I don't  
want to speak out of turn.  
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> Please let me know what changes you'd like made.  
> -Shaun  
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> Hello Richard,  
> Because the Global Drifter Program is closely linked with meteorological  
agencies around the world, these partnerships entail open dialog and  
regular communication about what deployment opportunities (i.e., ships)  
are available. It is true that we're constantly looking to fill data gaps  
and replenish areas of need, but these needs are regularly met through ties  
with communities such as the Ship of Opportunity Program (SOOP), Volunteer  
Observing Ship Program (VOS), Port Meteorological Officers (PMO's), etc.  
Through these groups, the Global Drifter Program and it's affiliates target  
container ships and university-owned research vessels to conduct drifter  
deployments. Of course, these opportunities are in addition to the primary

contributions from each agency-affiliated vessel(s).

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> I hope this information is helpful. Should you require additional information, or further clarification, please let me know.

> Thank you,

> Shaun

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> On 22 Oct, 2012, at 12:27 PM, Richard Mannix<richard.mannix@noaa.gov> wrote:

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>> Hi Shaun -- I've been communicating with Rick about our responses on the ocean dumping incident. One thing that might help us is that other nations also deploy drifters using private vessels or that they cooperate with us in some other way to get the devices to where they are needed. Can you give me any information on that? Thanks.