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AMERICAN SALVAGE ASSOCIATION MEETS WITH
CHINESE SALVAGE AND RESCUE DELEGATION

Washington, DC – The American Salvage Association (ASA) met last week with eight representatives from the Bureau of Salvage and Rescue, China Ministry of Transportation, as well as other related groups from China, to exchange information about how the ASA represents its professional salvage company members in the United States, and how China manages its salvage and transportation program.

Leading the delegation was Mr. Wang Zhenliang, Deputy Executive Director of the Bureau of Salvage and Rescue, China Ministry of Transportation. Ms. Diana Zhang, the delegation's program director, served as interpreter for the meeting. Captain Jim Wilkins, USN, U.S. Navy Supervisor of Salvage, addressed salvage recovery efforts after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in the Gulf Coast region.

“The American Salvage Association was pleased to host this delegation from China and to exchange ideas about how our respective countries perform professional marine salvage and oil spill response activities,” said ASA President George Wittich.

The American Salvage Association is a trade association promoting professionalism and improving marine casualty response in American coastal and inland waters.