



Conference of Professional Operators for Response Towing
37th Conference and Membership Meeting
November 6 – November 8, 2023

Monday, November 6

9:00 AM – 9:15 AM <i>Harborview</i>	<i>C-PORT Board of Directors Meeting (C-PORT Directors Only)</i>
9:15 AM – 10:15 AM <i>Harborview</i>	<i>C-PORT Insurance Program Meeting (C-PORT Board of Directors and Insurance Program Partners Only)</i>
10:20 AM – 12:00 PM <i>Harborview</i>	<i>US Coast Guard/C-PORT Partnership Meeting (C-PORT Board of Directors, C-PORT USCG Committee Members, and USCG Partners Only)</i>
12:00 PM – 3:30 PM <i>Harborview</i>	<i>C-PORT Board of Directors Meeting (C-PORT Directors Only) Lunch included</i>
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM <i>Bayboro Foyer</i>	Conference Registration Open!
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM <i>Poolside</i>	C-PORT Conference Welcome Reception

Tuesday, November 7

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM <i>Grand Bay North</i>	INDUSTRY VENDOR EXHIBITS OPEN
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM <i>Grand Bay North</i>	Continental Breakfast with the Vendors in the Exhibit Area
8:35 AM – 9:00 AM <i>Grand Bay South</i>	The Visionaries <i>Phil LeBlanc, C-PORT Chairman</i>
	Welcome Awards
9:00 AM – 9:45 AM <i>Grand Bay South</i>	U.S. Coast Guard Panel Discussion - Part 1 SAR Policy and Unity of Command <i>CAPT Maurice Murphy, Chief, Office of Search and Rescue CAPT Matt Fine, Chief, Office of Shore Forces USCG</i>
9:45 AM – 10:15 AM <i>Grand Bay North</i>	Break
10:20 AM – 11:00 AM <i>Grand Bay South</i>	United States Coast Guard Panel Discussion- Part 2 Communication and Training <i>Mr. Jeffrey Wheeler, Deputy Chief, Office of Boat Forces USCG LT. Eddie Oropeza, Commanding Officer, Station Miami Beach USCG</i>
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM <i>Grand Bay South</i>	C-PORT Business Meeting - Open C-PORT Committee Reports



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Tuesday, November 7, cont.

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM <i>St. Petersburg I</i>	C-PORT Luncheon
1:05 PM – 2:00 PM <i>Grand Bay South</i>	C-PORT Marine Assistance Company Membership Meeting - Closed C-PORT Board of Director Elections Treasurer's Report Members Open Forum- General Q&A
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM <i>Grand Bay South</i>	i911 Presentation <i>Jonathan Lester, i911 (invited)</i> Exhibitors Present! Starkweather & Shepley Insurance TBD
	C-PORT Membership Report Member Awards and Recognition
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM <i>Grand Bay North</i>	Break
3:05 PM – 3:45 PM	Commercial Vehicle Insurance- Are you sure you're covered? Panel discussion – <i>Phil LeBlanc, Facilitator</i> <i>TBD, Travelers</i> <i>TBD, Starkweather & Shepley</i>
3:45 PM – 4:45 PM <i>Grand Bay South</i>	Accidents Happen - Risk Management Case Study <i>(A certificate of completion will be sent to those successfully completing the course requirements.)</i>
6:00 PM- 7:00 PM <i>Grand Bay Foyer</i>	C-PORT Gala Reception
7:00 PM- 10:00 PM <i>Grand Bay South</i>	C-PORT Gala Awards Banquet AFRAS Lifesaving Award 25-30-35 Year Member Anniversary Celebration



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Legal Perspective

John Fulweiler, Esq., Fulweiler, llc

9:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Grand Bay North

Break

10:05 AM – 10:50 AM

Grand Bay South

Salvage Techniques - The Heavy Lift

Rich Lenardson, Owner, Great Lakes Marine Services

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Poolside

Life Vests Save Lives – Neutral Buoyancy?

Mr. John Fetterman – Deputy Executive Director, NASBLA (invited)

Mr. Jeffrey Wheeler, Deputy Chief, Office of Boat Forces USCG

LT. Eddie Oropeza, Commanding Officer, Station Miami Beach USCG

Mr. Troy Faletra, Founder, Throwraft (invited)