Fact Sheet: WQIS Company Overview

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Who Is WQIS? The largest underwriter of pollution liability insurance for marine vessels in the United States.

Founded in 1971, WQIS has over 30 years experience in pollution liability for marine vessels.

MPRG, the spill response team of WQIS, is the most experienced oil spill cleanup team in the U.S. (following the Coast Guard).

WQIS subscribers represent 17 of the largest insurers in the United States. Over $25 billion backs a WQIS policy.

Who Does WQIS Serve? Commercial and public maritime vessels operating in U.S. waters or traveling in international waters between U.S. ports.

WQIS provides pollution liability insurance for over 40,000 vessels.

WQIS provides COFR (Certificate of Financial Responsibility) guarantees for over 3,000 vessels to the U.S. Coast Guard.

WQIS Coverage Areas? Pollution Coverage for:
Vessel Owners and Operators
Cargo Owners
Shipyards (Repairers and Builders)
Yachts and Yacht Dealers
Mobile Drilling Units
Public Vessels
Tow Risks
Scraping Risks
Banks (Repossessed Vessels)

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