Mr. William S. Griswold  
United Safe Boating Institute

Dear Mr. Griswold:

Final Report: 1002.34 Safe Boating Partnering Grant 2010

The United Safe Boating Group received USCG Non-profit Grant in the amount of $39,000 on 14 October 2010. The grant covered various travel; assignments for member of the Board of Directors as they worked with other boating safety organizations on various projects. In addition the monies covered some project costs such as posters and brochures on boating safety initiatives.

USBI set up and staffed booths at both the International Boating and Water Safety Summit and The United States Power Squadron nation meetings. This enabled us to show case and distribute out various boating safety materials. In addition we staffed a booth at the house boat expo which created an opportunity for many in depth interactions with members of that boating community. These activities supported work on other grant initiatives such as GMDSS brochures, 5 Tons and No Brakes, and the VSC date collection project. Support also continued for PFD Posters and Anglers, Hunters. Support reo these projects from other organizations is good and our presence at various venues helps to keep the information in the fore front of boating safety activities. In addition these interactions provide us with ideas to update and improve various items.

Attendance at the annual NASBLA meeting is growing in importance as States continue to experience a high turnover rate among Boating Law Administrators and, to some extent, law enforcement personnel. This interface is particularly important currency efforts with boating safety requirements. As more and more states are introducing some form of mandatory boating safety education, course standards are under constant review and updating.

To summarize, the 2010 Grant provided a forum for the member organizations to interact and work on existing and new initiatives or projects. In addition, travel funds facilitated contact with member organizations and others that are key to safe boating efforts. Travel in the amount or $31, 400 accounted for the bulk of expenditures with lesser amounts used for updating and reprinting material and other expenditures such at display booths at two organization meetings.

Sincerely,

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Director