



**WHY—IS THIS NEEDED FOR THE INDUSTRY:**

Last year, the worldwide Oil & Gas Industry was impacted due to the Deepwater Horizon accident and resulting Oil Spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

Not only was the momentum of the Industry stalled due to this, but it caused the Industry to re-examine at all levels all of the policies, procedures and regulations we operated under to ensure that going forward all firms and employees in our Industry have a safe and healthy environment in which to work and prosper.

**QUESTION:** *How do we Secure Safe and Productive Jobs for the Oil and Gas Industry Workers in the United States?*

**ANSWER:** *Establish Common Sense Policies, Standards and Regulations for the Industry within the United States.*

**WHAT—MUST BE DONE:** The conclusions are clear: the Industry must undergo the re-write of specifications, standards and regulations, over-seeing responsibilities and the elimination of unnecessary expenses and lost time to allow it to re-focus its efforts while maintaining and growing a safe, productive and profitable contribution to the economy.

**WHEN—SHOULD ACTION BE TAKEN:** All segments of the Industry are affected and should take a pro-active and real-time stance for the benefit of not only its own specific segment, but also for supplier, vendors and customers alike across all segments.

**WHO—ONE OF MANY SEGMENTS THAT IS RESPONDING:** AECCA, the American Energy Cargo Container Association, was formed as a non-profit organization exclusively for the purposes of promoting and disseminating information relating to the technical and other aspects of the offshore cargo container industry in the Gulf of Mexico and North America.

**WHERE—IS ACTION NEEDED:** AECCA's Mission Statement is to foster the eventual use of a uniform standard in the Gulf of Mexico and North America which will be globally recognized as a world class standard for the design, construction, and maintenance of cargo carrying units specific to the offshore energy business in those areas.

**HOW—IS THIS STANDARD DEVELOPED:** AECCA is developing its Cargo Carrying Unit standard with Oil & Gas Industry leading operators, many offshore service providers, testing/certification organizations and Cargo Carrying Unit (CCU) Manufacturers and Suppliers of supporting equipment and services.

In addition AECCA communicates with Local, State and Federal Government agencies and officials on this standard for the GOM and North American environment.

*If you or your company has an interest in being part of this effort or of our continuing progress, please contact us through our website at [www.aecca.us](http://www.aecca.us)*