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Subject: RE: [External] Lettie G Howard Transit, Volunteer Email

Good afternoon, Chris!

After reflecting on your email below, I wanted to get a few points out there for consideration:

1. As PHMC doesn't own Lettie G. Howard and that ship is operated entirely by the FNL, PHMC defers to you on issues pertaining to sailing or berthing the Lettie G. elsewhere for inspection or for any other reason; that is up to the FNL. (Not a question but rather a statement of fact.)

2. We have examined the "Crew Arrival Guidelines" relating to the Lettie G. Howard. As those plans are laid out, there are several areas that do not meet CDC and DOH guidelines and recommendations for operation at this time. For example, the idea of crews of individuals coming together to form households (5-6 for the Lettie G.) does not conform to those guidelines. The CDC recommends that sailing crews occupy single berths with private restrooms, continue to mask and social distance while on board, disallow group gatherings, and allow for socially distanced meals. Of course, the Lettie G. does not afford the ability for the crew to follow these recommendations. Shared quarters below deck that preclude masking and social distancing create conditions that the state cannot endorse, given the pandemic. Should you wish to berth it elsewhere, you would be free from the requirements associated with operating on commonwealth property.

Not trying to drag this out, but rather just trying to make sure we're all clear on both sides as we're moving ahead w/ this inspection/transit process! I know you'll need some time to talk this over with the rest of the group so please do that & we can circle up again after that. – thanks, JIM

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Hi Jim,

We are getting closer to Lettie's transit to the shipyard this May, we are planning for a May 14th departure. We will need volunteer assistance with the transit and will have six spots for the trip.

I request approval to email volunteers requesting they contact me if they are interested in taking part in the transit.

We will follow the FNL Crew Arrival Guidelines that I sent to you last week and which are attached. Volunteers will need to move on the ship May 10th to give enough time for the 2nd Covid-test to come back negative.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

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