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## 2019 CONFERENCE A SUCCESS

New Orleans, LA: Pacific-Gulf Marine hosted its **2019 Shipboard Officers Training Conference**, held June 10-13 at the Hilton Garden Inn in New Orleans Central Business District. The participants included 10 senior officers along with PGM's RRF Group Managers.

The conference kicked off Tuesday with a Welcome Presentation by Todd Johnson, followed by a Management System Refresher session and Internal Auditor Training. The afternoon consisted of a NS5 training session conducted by PGM consultant Mike Johnson. An informative session focused on Harassment and Social Awareness was conducted by Tommy McGoey (Liskow & Lewis, APLC).

Wednesday began with a presentation by the United States Coast Guard. PGM's Ned Howell followed with a session on Communications Protocol. Before breaking for lunch, Todd Johnson gave an overview of the company's Social Media Policy. Following a few interactive sessions in the afternoon, the participants adjourned early evening for a social gathering which allowed the conference attendees to visit with PGM office personnel. The weather cooperated making the rooftop poolside venue a great setting.

Additional training that was completed during the course of the week included Master's Annual Management System Review, Turbo Activation (Preparation & Best Practices), Purchasing & Accounting recap and a Case Study: Conducting Effective Shipboard Meetings.

The conference concluded with the annual awards presentation with the S/S Keystone State recognized as the 2018 Performance Award recipient. PGM's Manager of Fleet Support/QSA John-Paul Gehrkin presented the award to Ronald Parrish and Alex Butler who proudly accepted on behalf of their fellow officers and crewmembers.

PGM intends to host another Officers Training Conference in the spring of 2020.