

## **USMRC / Maritime Simulation Institute Announce New Senior Management Position**

Middletown, RI (February 2, 2012) The United States Maritime Resource Center (USMRC) and the Maritime Simulation Institute are pleased to announce that Margaret Kaigh Doyle has been appointed Vice President – Development, effective January 30, 2012.

Doyle has over 25 years of experience in the maritime industry and the majority of her career has focused on representing the interests of various sectors in the industry including ship owners and operators, government agencies and salvage and firefighting organizations. Prior to joining USMRC, Doyle was General Manager of the Marine Response Alliance, a consortium of the world's foremost emergency towing, lightering, salvage and marine firefighting companies. She is best known for her work at the International Association of Independent Tanker Owners (INTERTANKO) as well as serving as the Executive Director of the Chemical Carriers Association (CCA) for more than a decade. Throughout her tenure with INTERTANKO and CCA, Doyle represented 85 percent of the worldwide chemical tanker fleet at the international, federal and state level. Doyle is a graduate of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point and holds advanced degrees from Pennsylvania State University and George Washington University. Margaret Doyle is a three-time recipient of the U.S. Coast Guard Public Service Commendation. In 2010, she received the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy's Outstanding Professional Achievement Award.

Doyle will be responsible for managing and executing all aspects of program development as well as the full spectrum of marketing and fundraising efforts for USMRC and the Maritime Simulation Institute.

Brian Holden, President of USMRC says that "Margaret is a superb addition to the USMRC team and our staff at the Maritime Simulation Institute is very eager to work with her to help promote our well respected maritime education and training programs, marine operations research activities and to raise awareness within the maritime industry of our highly regarded capabilities."

The Maritime Simulation Institute is a division of the United States Maritime Resource Center (USMRC), a 501(c)(3) Non-profit Corporation founded in 1981. The Institute's simulation center and marine operations research facilities are located in Newport County, Rhode Island. USMRC provides world-class simulator and classroom based professional education and training programs, operations research and technical assistance for mariners and shore-based leaders which contribute to a more robust domestic and international commercial maritime industry. For more information, visit our website at [www.marsim.org](http://www.marsim.org).