



AS INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS FOR THE SHIPPING INDUSTRY NEAR RATIFICATION, PANAMA'S ROLE NOTED IN MEETING WITH US AMBASSADOR

San Diego, California, July 22, 2016 – At a meeting hosted by Institute of the Americas complex on campus at University of California San Diego, a “Panama Briefing with US Ambassador John Feeley” provided invitees an update on events and the relationship of our two countries. In addition to the celebration of the recent opening of the second, larger Panama Canal, Ambassador Feeley presented several initiatives within Panama to strengthen their economy and build up their internal infrastructure.

Assure Controls' President and CEO Bryan Bjorndal had the opportunity to provide Ambassador Feeley with an update on the US and International Maritime Organization's regulations for the shipping industry and noted the importance of Panama's leadership needed in this area (the IMO Ballast Water Convention 2004, soon to be ratified). Assure Controls has products for rapid water toxicity assessment of ship's ballast water as well as an online education, training, and compliance support system for mariners, ports, and vessels to meet the new ballast water requirements.



US Ambassador John D. Feeley (left), and Bryan Bjorndal

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