

December 16, 2019

PUBLIC NOTICE TO MARINERS AND FISHERMEN

<u>CHARACTER OF WORK</u>: Alcatel Submarine Networks (ASN) notifies all interested parties that it will be conducting geophysical surveys along a predetermined route for a future subsea telecommunication cable network. Sidescan sonar and potentially sub-bottom profilers will be used to collect the data. Data collected will be used to meet state and federal government permit application and environmental analysis requirements.

ASN and its partners are committed to communicating and working with local fishermen in the region during all stages of development of the proposed subsea cable. Although the survey vessel will attempt to avoid all fishing gear, we advise all mariners and fishermen operating in the area to plan accordingly when deploying gear in the vicinity of the vessel route. ASN has also hired a Fishery Liaison to assist with "on the water" communications between the survey vessel and the fishing industry. The Fishery Liaison will also place high-fliers on the predetermined survey route for visual identification in the days prior to the survey.

<u>WATERWAY AND LOCATION</u>: The geophysical data samples will be operating within a 1,650-foot-wide corridor that extends from Lynn, Massachusetts to the shores off Rockport, Massachusetts. The "Survey Area" is depicted on the attached figure.



<u>DURATION OF WORK</u>: The survey is expected to last approximately 9 days, subject to weather conditions. The survey could begin as early as **January 10, 2020** and end on or around **January 31, 2020** (assuming weather delays). The survey will occur during daytime and nighttime hours on a 24-hour schedule.

COMMUNICATION: On the days of survey operations, the R/V Megan T. Miller Captain can be contacted via VHF Channel 13 or 16.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Tom Hill, water-based Fishery Liaison for ASN, at (978) 697-5821. Jay Van Horn, land-based Fishery Liaison, can be contacted via email at jay.vanhorn@erm.com or cell phone at (860) 634-4934.

Vessel: R/V Megan Miller

LOA: 100 ft. Flag: USA

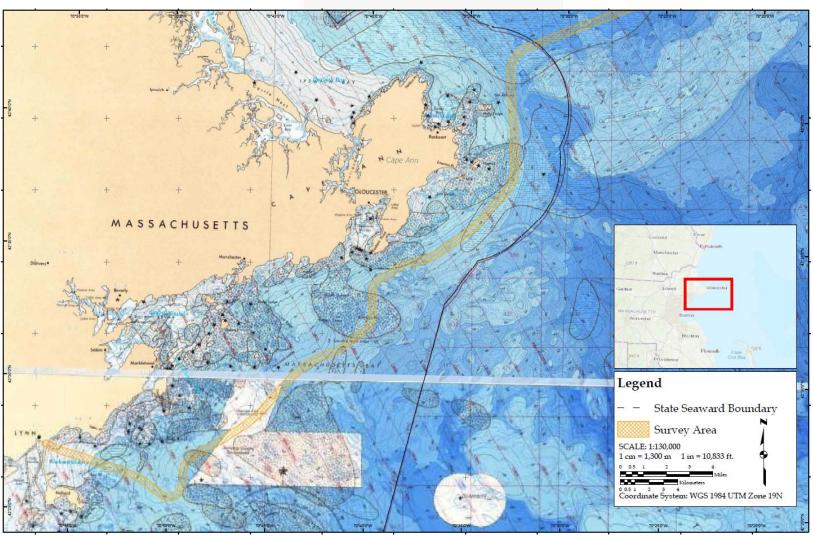
Standing by on VHF Channel: 13 & 16 Vessel Means of Communication: Jim Miller: cell phone (516) 315-2396

Dave Bernstein: cell phone (252) 422-8428



R/V Megan T. Miller





R/V Megan T. Miller Survey Area, January 2020