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Jeff Dauzat, DEQ Environmental Scientist, receives Coast Guard award

BATON ROUGE – The United States Coast Guard presented an Outstanding Interagency Partnership Award to DEQ Environmental Scientist Jeff Dauzat at the Area Committee meeting in New Orleans on February 12.

Dauzat, based out of DEQ's Southeast Regional Office in New Orleans, was honored for outstanding performance while working in conjunction with Coast Guard Sector New Orleans. Presented by Captain Lincoln D. Stroh, Commander of Coast Guard Sector New Orleans, the award recognizes Dauzat's expertise while successfully handling the rapid remediation of oil and hazardous material spill incidents, minimization of those spills upon the environment and coordinating flight opportunities in the wake of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

A 19-year veteran of the DEQ, Dauzat's current duties include coordinating the surveillance inspection, Almonaster Task Force, watershed based inspection, high profile incidents and water quality programs for the Southeast Region. As the DEQ's Deputy Incident Commander for Hurricane Katrina and Rita response, Dauzat was tasked with addressing all of the Hurricane Katrina and Rita-related oil spills within the Unified Command, of which the Coast Guard is a part.

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