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NEW YORK FIRM GETS CONTRACT FOR FISHING FLEET SAFETY STUDY

A \$25,000 contract for the development of a vessel safety program for the New England fisheries has been awarded to Ebasco Services of New York City, it was announced today by the Department of the Interior.

The study has the double purpose of providing better safety conditions for the men of the fishing fleet and for the reduction of personal injury insurance costs. It is part of a broad study of the New England fishing fleet insurance problems. The contract was awarded by the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

Hull and personal injury insurance costs constitute one of the important items of expense in the New England fisheries. A study of hull insurance problems recently has been completed.

The safety study is to be completed in a year. When the program is completed, the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries will submit it to the segments of the fishing industry concerned for their consideration and voluntary action.

Ebasco Services is a firm of engineering consultants with a division which specializes in insurance and safety studies.

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