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## **Columbia University , NSF and the Langseth**

In June, Columbia and NSF agreed on Columbia taking ownership of Langseth. The process of making that happen continued over the summer culminating in transfer of title in October.

Why did this happen?

What does it mean for the Langseth Operations?

What's the short-term plan and long-term strategy ?

## **OMO Activities:**

1. Office staffing changes
2. Two Maritime Union Negotiations to 2024
3. Ongoing Discussions 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Work and Science
4. New Vessel Security Plan approved with USCG
5. Documenting vessel with USCG
6. Application for SOVC –Maritime Labor Convention
7. Planning for next 2021 Shipyard- 5yr Survey
8. Revising insurance
9. Revising our ISM
10. Revising lots of documents

## **Announcing the Columbia Climate School July 10, 2020 – President Lee Bollinger**

The School, at least at the outset, will be somewhat unconventional in its structure, building capacity from a hub of existing, world-class research centers and programs, including the Earth Institute and its many centers: the Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory (LDEO), the International Research Institute for Climate and Society (IRI), the Center for Climate Systems Research (CCSR), Center for International Earth Science Information Network (CIESIN), and more.

Additionally, even at the present moment, virtually every school and many departments within the University from the arts and humanities to medicine and engineering, already support work in the field of climate. The new Columbia Climate School will be able to draw upon and reciprocate support for those efforts. It will, therefore, work in partnership with the deans and faculties of other schools throughout the institution.

# The Future



We look forward optimistically to this opportunity with both the Langseth and the future.