CIRCULAR LETTER

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Re:

amendments to the Guidelines on the Application of Provisions of the International Convention MARPOL 73/78 in connection with implementation of IMO resolution MEPC.315(74)

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Appendix 1: information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter

Appendix 2: text of amendments to Part III "Ship's Construction, Equipment and Arrangements for the

Prevention of Pollution by Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk"

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#### Text of CL:

We hereby inform that the Guidelines on the Application of Provisions of the International Convention MARPOL 73/78 shall be amended at re-publication in 2021 as specified in the Appendices to the Circular Letter.

It is necessary to do the following:

- 1. Bring the content of the Circular Letter to the notice of the RS surveyors, interested organizations and persons in the area of the RS Branch Offices' activity.
- 2. Apply the provisions of the Circular Letter during review and approval of operational documentation for compliance with regulation 14 of Annex II to MARPOL 73/78 from the date of entry-into-force of the amendments.

List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:

Part III: paras 1.1, 3.1 and 4.1.2

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# Information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter (for inclusion in the Revision History to the RS Publication)

Nos.	Amended	Information on amendments	Number and	Entry-into-force
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			Circular Letter	
1	Part III, para 1.1	New definition "Persistent	313-04-1426c	01.01.2021
		floater" has been introduced	of 07.08.2020	
2	Part III, para 3.1	Para has been supplemented by	313-04-1426c	01.01.2021
		the reference to IMO resolution	of 07.08.2020	
		MEPC.315(74)		
3	Part III, para 4.1.2	Requirements have been	313-04-1426c	01.01.2021
		specified considering	of 07.08.2020	
		IMO resolution MEPC.315(74)		

## GUIDELINES ON THE APPLICATION OF PROVISIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION MARPOL 73/78, 2020,

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### PART III. SHIP'S CONSTRUCTION, EQUIPMENT AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION BY NOXIOUS LIQUID SUBSTANCES IN BULK

### 1 DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

1 **Para 1.1.** After the definition "Residue/water mixture", the following new definition "Persistent floater" is introduced:

"Persistent floater means a slick forming substance with the following properties:

density: ≤ sea water (1025 kg/m³ at 20 °C);

vapour pressure: ≤ 0,3 kPa;

solubility:  $\leq 0.1 \%$  (for liquids)  $\leq 10 \%$  (for solids);

kinematic viscosity: > 10 cSt at 20 °C.".

### 3 CONSTRUCTION OF SHIPS CARRYING NOXIOUS LIQUID SUBSTANCES IN BULK

- 2 **Para 3.1** is replaced by the following text:
- **"3.1** All ships carrying noxious liquid substances in bulk shall comply with the requirements of Annex II to MARPOL 73/78, as amended by IMO resolutions MEPC.265(68) and MEPC.315(74).

The design, construction, equipment and operation of ships certified to carry noxious liquid substances in bulk identified in Chapter 17 of the IBC Code, shall be in compliance with the provisions of this Code and the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH Code), depending on the date of the building contract and the date of ship construction as specified in regulation 11 of Annex II to MARPOL 73/78.".

### 4 REQUIREMENTS FOR THE EQUIPMENT OF SHIPS CARRYING NOXIOUS LIQUID SUBSTANCES IN BULK

- 3 **Para 4.1.2** is replaced by the following text:
- **"4.1.2** A prewash procedure is required in order to meet certain requirements of Annex II to MARPOL 73/78. Appendix VI of Annex II to MARPOL 73/78, as amended by IMO resolution MEPC.315(74), explains how these prewash procedures shall be performed.

In case of carriage of substances identified by the presence of "16.2.7" in column "o" (Special requirements) of Chapter 17 of the IBC Code and the latest version of the MEPC.2/Circular, the Procedures and Arrangements Manual required in accordance with regulation 14 of Annex II to MARPOL 73/78, shall be approved considering amendments introduced by IMO resolution MEPC.315(74).".