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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Amendments to MARPOL Annex II (Cargo residues and tank washings of persistent floating products)

To : Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Masters and Classification Societies

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to advise the parties concerned on the adoption of the amendments to MARPOL Annex II concerning cargo residues and tank washings of persistent floating products in specific areas at the 74th Session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 74) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO).

1. The MEPC 74 adopted resolution MEPC.315(74) on 17 May 2019 to amend regulations 1, 13, appendix IV and appendix VI of MARPOL Annex II concerning cargo residues and tank washings of persistent floating products with a high viscosity and/or high melting point in specific areas. The amendments are expected to be entered into force on 1 January 2021
2. A copy of aforementioned resolution can be found on the website of Marine Department (<https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html>) as attachment to this Information Note.
3. Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Masters and Classification Societies are required to note the information and act accordingly.
4. Any enquiries in relation to this Merchant Shipping Information Note may be directed to the Senior Surveyor of the Maritime Policy Branch at telephone number 2852 4395 or by e-mail to “hkmpd@mardep.gov.hk”.

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