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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Guidelines to Facilitate the Selection of Portable Atmosphere Testing Instruments for Enclosed Spaces as required by SOLAS Regulation XI-1/7

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the Guidelines to facilitate the selection of portable atmosphere testing instruments for enclosed spaces as required by SOLAS regulation XI-1/7.

- 1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), at its 93rd session in May 2014, approved the "Guidelines to facilitate the selection of portable atmosphere testing instruments for enclosed spaces as required by SOLAS regulation XI-1/7".
- 2. The Guidelines are intended to be read in conjunction with new SOLAS regulation XI-1/7 (Atmosphere testing instruments for enclosed spaces) upon its entry into force (i.e. anticipated on 1 July 2016) and the "Revised recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships (resolution A.1050(27))".
- 3. The details of the guidelines as annexed to IMO circular MSC.1/Circ.1477 can be found in the attachment to this Note on the website of Marine Department (http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html).
- 4. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are recommended to apply the guidelines for selection of portable atmosphere testing instruments for enclosed spaces as required by SOLAS regulation XI-1/7 accordingly.

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