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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING NOTICE

The Merchant Shipping (Control of Pollution by Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk) Regulations

To : Shipowners, Masters, Agents and Classification Societies

Summary

This Notice provides updated information on all substances defined as “provisionally listed” under the subject Regulations and the list of cleaning additives allowed to be used for tank washing on board chemical tankers. This Notice replaces the previous Merchant Shipping Notice No. 1013 issued on 26 January 2010.

1. IMO has issued circular MEPC.2/Circ.16 regarding the provisional categorization of liquid substances in accordance with regulation 6.3 of MARPOL Annex II. It replaces all previously issued IMO circulars on this subject.
2. Annexes 1 to 4 of MEPC.2/Circ.16 are lists of noxious liquid substances (NLS) provided with associated categories and minimum carriage requirements established under Tripartite Agreements registered with the IMO Secretariat in accordance with the regulation referred to above. These products are treated as “provisionally listed” for the purpose of the Merchant Shipping (Control of Pollution by Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk) Regulations, Cap. 413B.
3. The cleaning additives evaluated by the Working Group on the Evaluation of Safety and Pollution Hazards of Chemicals (ESPH) of the IMO Sub-Committee on Bulk Liquids and Gases have been consolidated into Annex 10 of the MEPC.2/Circ.16. Only the listed cleaning additives will be allowed for use on board chemical tankers for tank washing.
4. As the MEPC.2/Circ.16 is a bulky document which applies only to chemical tankers carrying liquid chemicals in bulk, a hard copy is not issued as an annex to this Merchant Shipping Notice. However, the document is made available as an attachment to this Merchant Shipping Notice on the web site of Marine Department at <http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnotice/msn.html>.

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