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To: Shipowners, Ship Managers and Parties Concerned

Dear Sirs/Madams,

**Application for the “Certificate of Insurance or Other Financial Security
in Respect of Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage (Bunkers Cert.)”
and
“Certificate of Insurance or Other Financial Security
in Respect of Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage (CLC)”**

“The International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001 (Bunkers Convention)” and “The 1992 Civil Liability Convention” apply to Hong Kong registered sea-going non-tanker having a gross tonnage greater than 1000 and Hong Kong registered sea-going ships carrying in bulk a cargo of more than 2000 tons of oil respectively. The aforesaid ships are required to apply for the Bunkers Cert. and CLC respectively from Marine Department.

In order to ensure the ships are properly certificated and to avoid last minute rush, you are reminded to submit your application at your earliest convenience. As soon as your “Blue Card” certificate had been ready, you could submit your application now. All renewing Bunkers Cert. and CLC with duration of security from 2012 to 2013 will be issued from 1 January 2012 onwards. All the application documents could be found at the following website: <http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/forms/home.html#register>.

Enclosed please find a sample of the Bunkers Cert. and CLC. A new electronic service will also be launched for certificate authentication from 1 January 2012 onwards. The said service could be reached under the “Electronic services” at the website of Marine Department (<http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/home.html>).

For your information, the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region had authorized the China Classification Society (CCS) and the Korean Register of Shipping (KR) to issue the Bunkers Cert., in accordance with the provision of Article 7 of the Bunker Convention, to Hong Kong registered ships since 19 May 2010. Application could also be submitted to CSS and KR. For details of application, please refer to Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note (MSIN)

No.10/2010, as attached.

Should you have any enquiries regarding the aforesaid matter, please contact with our Executive Officer / Shipping & Multi-lateral Policy Divisions at:

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Yours faithfully,



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