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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Coming into Force of Hong Kong Legislation Implementing Amendments to Requirements of MARPOL Annexes I, IV and VI

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to draw the attention of the parties concerned to three (3) pieces of amended Hong Kong legislation, which implement the latest requirements in MARPOL Annexes I, IV and VI as stipulated in MEPC.328(76), MEPC.329(76) and MEPC.330(76) in relation to the attained Energy Efficiency Existing Ship Index, the attained annual operational carbon intensity indicator, the exemption certificates for unmanned non-self-propelled (UNSP) barge and prohibition on the carriage or use of heavy fuel oil in the Arctic waters.

1. To implement the latest requirements of the amendments to MARPOL Annexes I, IV and VI as stipulated in MEPC.328(76), MEPC.329(76) and MEPC.330(76), the following amendment regulations have been made under the Merchant Shipping (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Ordinance (Cap. 413):

- (1) Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Regulation 2022 (Cap. 413A)
- (2) Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage) (Amendment) Regulation 2022 (Cap. 413K)
- (3) Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Air Pollution) (Amendment) Regulation 2022 (Cap. 413P)

2. Copies of the above-mentioned regulations can be found on the website of Marine Department (<https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html>) as attachments to this Information Note.

3. The amendments specified in the amended Cap. 413A, save for sections 12 which will come into operation on 1 July 2024, the other provisions in the amended Cap. 413A, and the new regulations specified the amended Cap. 413K, will come into operation on 1 November 2022. As for the new regulation in the amended Cap. 413P, save for sections 3(4) and (6), 5, 8, 9(5), 10, 14, 16(2), 18, 21(2), 25(2), (3), (4) and (5), 26(2), (3), (4) and (5), 27(2) and 30(2) and (3), which will come into operation on 1 January 2023, the other provisions of the amended Cap. 413P will come into operation on 1 November 2022.

4. Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Masters, Classification Societies and Shipbuilders are required to note and comply with the requirements of these Amendment Regulations.

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