Amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (GC Code)

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (GC Code). The amendments will enter into force on 1 July 2008.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee of the International Maritime Organization adopted resolution MSC.225(82) on 8 December 2006 to amend the GC Code. The amendments which will enter into force on 1 July 2008, stipulate additional requirements on fire safety and the minimum carriage requirements for the new products dimethyl ether and carbon dioxide.

2. A copy of the resolution MSC.225(82) is attached to this Note for ready reference. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to note the amendments and act accordingly.

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