Early implementation of Amendment 02-13 to the International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes (IMSBC) Code

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promote the early implementation of Amendment 02-13 to the International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes (IMSBC) Code.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), at its 92nd session in June 2013, promoted the early implementation of Amendment 02-13 to the IMSBC Code, in particular sections 4 and 8 of the Code, and subsequently issued an IMO circular MSC.1/Circ.1452.

2. The circular MSC.1/Circ.1452 can be found as attachment to this Note on the website of Marine Department (http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html).

3. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are advised to note this circular, taking into account the voluntary application date of 1 January 2014 of Amendment 02-13 to the IMSBC Code pending its envisaged mandatory entry-into-force date of 1 January 2015.

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