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## HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

**Adoption of Amendments to the Performance Standard for Protective Coatings for Dedicated Seawater Ballast Tanks in All Types of Ships and Double Side Skin Spaces of Bulk Carriers and Adoption of Amendments to the Performance Standard for Protective Coatings for Cargo Oil Tanks of Crude Oil Tankers**

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

**Summary**

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate IMO resolutions MSC.341(91) and MSC.342(91) and to advise the parties concerned of the amendments to the Performance Standard for Protective Coatings for Dedicated Seawater Ballast Tanks in All Types of Ships and Double Side Skin Spaces of Bulk Carriers and the Performance Standard for Protective Coatings for cargo Oil Tanks of Crude Oil Tankers. The amendments will enter into force on 1 July 2014.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) adopted the resolutions MSC.341(91) and MSC.342(91) on 30 November 2012 to amend the Performance Standard for Protective Coatings for Dedicated Seawater Ballast Tanks in All Types of Ships and Double Side Skin Spaces of Bulk Carriers and the Performance Standard for Protective Coatings for Cargo Oil Tanks of Crude Oil Tankers. The amendments will enter into force on 1 July 2014.
2. The amendments solely reflected that the previous reference to the Guidelines on the enhanced programme of inspections during surveys of bulk carriers and oil tankers (resolution A.744(18)) is to be replaced by a reference to the International Code on the enhanced programme of inspections during surveys of bulk carriers and oil tankers, 2011 (2011 ESP Code) (resolution A.1049(27)).
3. The details of the amendments as annexed to IMO resolutions MSC.341(91) and MSC.342(91) can be found on the website of Marine Department (<http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html>) as attachments to this Note. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to take note of these amendments and act accordingly.

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