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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Adoption of the Code on Noise Levels On Board Ships

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate IMO resolution MSC.337(91) and to advise the parties concerned of the adoption of the Code on noise levels on board ships (hereinafter referred to as “the Code”). The Code will take effect on 1 July 2014 upon entry into force of regulation II-1/3-12 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974, as amended.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) adopted the resolution MSC.337(91) on 30 November 2012 to adopt the Code on noise levels on board ships, for which regulation II-1/3-12 of SOLAS adopted by MSC.338(91) concerning the protection against noise, mandates that ships shall be constructed to reduce onboard noise and to protect personnel from noise in accordance with the Code. The Code will take effect on 1 July 2014 upon entry into force of regulation II-1/3-12 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974, as amended.

2. The details of the Code as annexed to IMO resolution MSC.337(91) can be found on the website of Marine Department (<http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html>) as attachment to this Note. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to take note of the adoption of the Code and act accordingly.

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