Unified Interpretations of Chapters 5, 9 and 10 of the FSS Code

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the unified interpretations of Chapters 5, 9 and 10 of the FSS Code, in providing more specific guidance for release operation of the CO₂ system, fixed fire detection and fire alarm systems and sample extraction smoke detection systems.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) at its 94th session in November 2014, approved a circular MSC.1/Circ.1487, with a view to providing more specific guidance for release operation of the CO₂ system, fixed fire detection and fire alarm systems and sample extraction smoke detection systems.

2. The MSC.1/Circ.1487 is attached to this Note and can be found 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 required to note the unified interpretations and act accordingly.

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