List of Recognized Test Laboratories relating to the International Code for Application of Fire Test Procedures (FTP Code)

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

Summary

This Note promulgates the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Circular SSE.1/Circ.1/Rev.2 which contains an updated list of test laboratories recognized by each of the respective Administrations, relating to the implementation of the International Code for Application of Fire Test Procedures, 2010 (2010 FTP Code). This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 50/2014.

1. The Sub-Committee on Fire Protection of the IMO, at its 41st session in 1996, instructed the IMO Secretariat to revise and update the list of recognized test laboratories as may be necessary and issue it on an annual basis as an FP.1 Circular. Owing to restructuring of the IMO Sub-Committees’ which took effect on 1 January 2014, the Sub-Committee on Ships Systems and Equipment (SSE), at its first session in March 2014, instructed the Secretariat to issue all future circulars as SSE.1 circulars and update them only as and when necessary in lieu of issuing them annually (i.e. as revisions to the base circulars including the FP.1 Circulars).

2. On 29 June 2015, IMO issued Circular SSE.1/Circ.1/Rev.2 containing an updated list of test laboratories recognized by each of the respective Administrations. The circular 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, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are advised to note the information provided in the IMO Circular SSE.1/Circ.1/Rev.2.
4. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 50/2014.

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