Amendments to the International Code on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections during Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011 (2011 ESP Code)

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate IMO resolution MSC.405(96) to advise the parties concerned of the amendments to the International Code on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections during Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011 (2011 ESP Code) which will enter into force on 1 January 2018.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) adopted the resolution MSC.405(96) on 19 May 2016 to amend the 2011 ESP Code. The amendments will enter into force on 1 January 2018.

2. The amendments to 2011 ESP Code aim to promote proper and safe access by surveyors carrying out the surveys on oil tankers and bulk carriers on or after 1 January 2018.

3. The resolution MSC.405(96) can be found as attachment to this Note on the website of Marine Department (http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html).

4. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, masters and classification societies of Hong Kong registered ships are reminded to take note of these amendments and act accordingly.

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