Amendments to the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code, Amendment 38-16

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate IMO resolution MSC.406(96) and to advise the parties concerned of the amendments to the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code which will enter into force on 1 January 2018. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 4/2015.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) adopted resolution MSC.406(96) in May 2016 to amend the IMDG Code. The amendments will enter into force on 1 January 2018. However, the amendments may be applied in whole or in part on a voluntary basis as from 1 January 2017.

2. The details of the amendments 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 and classification societies of Hong Kong registered ships are required to take note of these amendments and act accordingly.

3. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 4/2015.

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