Coming into Force of Hong Kong Legislation Implementing Amendments to Requirements of MARPOL Annexes I, II, IV and V

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to draw the attention of the parties concerned to four (4) pieces of amended Hong Kong legislation, which implement the latest requirements as stipulated in MARPOL Annexes I, II, IV and V in relation to ships operating in polar waters. These amendment regulations will come into force on 31 May 2019.

1. To implement the latest requirements of the amendments to MARPOL Annexes I, II, IV and V, the following amendment regulations have been made under the Merchant Shipping (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Ordinance (Cap. 413).

   (1) Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) (Amendment) Regulation 2019 (Cap. 413A)
   (2) Merchant Shipping (Control of Pollution by Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk) (Amendment) Regulation 2019 (Cap. 413B)
   (3) Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage) (Amendment) Regulation 2019 (Cap. 413K)
   (4) Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Garbage) (Amendment) Regulation 2019 (Cap. 413O)

The aforementioned regulations will come into force on 31 May 2019.

2. Copies of the aforementioned regulations can be found on the website of Marine Department (https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html) as attachments to this Information Note.
3. Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Masters, Classification Societies and Shipbuilders are required to note and comply with the requirements of these amendment regulations.

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