Consolidated Guidance for Port Reception Facility Providers and Users

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to advise the parties concerned on the revised Consolidated guidance for port reception facility providers and users as Circular MEPC.1/Circ.834/Rev.1 in line with the new categorizations of garbage. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note (MSIN) No. 56/2013.

1. In 2014, MEPC, at its 66th session, approved the Consolidated guidance for port reception facility providers and users (MEPC.1/Circ.834) (the “Consolidation guidance”), consolidating in a single document the Guide to good practice for port reception facility providers and users (MEPC.1/Circ.671/Rev.1) and four other circulars related to port reception facilities (MEPC.1/Circ.469/Rev.2, MEPC.1/Circ.644/Rev.1, MEPC.1/Circ.645/Rev.1 and MEPC.1/Circ.470/Rev.1). As introducing new categorizations of garbage under MARPOL Annex V by resolution MEPC.277(70), the Consolidated guidance was revised as Circular MEPC.1/Circ.834/Rev.1 and issued on 1 March 2018 in line with the new categorizations of garbage.

2. A copy of Circular MEPC.1/Circ.834/Rev.1 can be found on the website of Marine Department (https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html) as attachment to this Note.

3. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, masters and classification societies are advised to note the information and act accordingly.

4. Any enquiries in relation to this Merchant Shipping Information Note may be directed to the Senior Surveyor of the Maritime Policy Branch at telephone number 2852 4395 or by e-mail to “hkmpd@mardep.gov.hk”.
5. The Merchant Shipping Information Note (MSIN) No.56/2013 is hereby superseded.

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