Lists of Solid Bulk Cargoes for which a Fixed Gas Fire-extinguishing System may be exempted or for which a Fixed Gas Fire-extinguishing System is Ineffective

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the updated lists of solid bulk cargoes for which a fixed gas fire-extinguishing system may be exempted or for which a fixed gas fire-extinguishing system is ineffective. This Note supersedes the Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 15/2018 issued on 22 August 2018.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) at its 101st session in June 2019, approved MSC.1/Circ.1395/Rev.4 in providing the lists of solid bulk cargoes for which a fixed gas fire-extinguishing system may be exempted or for which a fixed gas fire-extinguishing system is ineffective.

2. The details of the lists annexed to the IMO circular MSC.1/Circ.1395/Rev.4 can be found on the website of Marine Department (https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html) as attachment to this Information Note.

3. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters and classification societies of Hong Kong registered ships are advised to note the lists of solid bulk cargoes for which a fixed gas fire-extinguishing system may be exempted or for which a fixed gas fire-extinguishing system is ineffective.

4. The Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 15/2018 issued on 22 August 2018 is hereby superseded.

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