Guidelines and Amendments to MARPOL Annex VI

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to inform the parties concerned of the amendments and guidelines adopted by the 76th Session of the Marine Environmental Protection Committee (MEPC 76) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) to MARPOL Annex VI.

1. On 17 June 2021, the Marine Environmental Protection Committee (MEPC) at its 76th Session adopted the following resolutions in relation to the amendments and guidelines to MARPOL Annex VI.

- Resolution MEPC.328(76) – Amendments to Annex VI in respect of mandatory goal-based technical and operational measures to reduce carbon intensity of international shipping. The amendments will enter into force internationally on 1st November 2022.

- Resolution MEPC.332(76) – Amendments to the 2018 Guidelines on the method of calculation of the attained Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI) for new ships (resolution MEPC.308(73), as amended by resolution MEPC.322(74)).


- Resolution MEPC.334(76) – 2021 Guidelines on survey and certification of the Energy Efficiency Existing Ship Index (EEXI).

- Resolution MEPC.335(76) – 2021 Guidelines on the shaft / engine power limitation system to comply with the EEXI requirements and use of a power reserve.
Resolution MEPC.336(76) – 2021 Guidelines on operational carbon intensity indicators and the calculation methods (CII Guidelines, G1).

Resolution MEPC.337(76) – 2021 Guidelines on the reference lines for use with operational carbon intensity indicators (CII reference lines guidelines, G2).

Resolution MEPC.338(76) – 2021 Guidelines on the operational carbon intensity reduction factors relative to reference lines (CII reduction factors guidelines, G3).


2. Details of the related resolutions and unified interpretation 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, Shipbuilders and Classification Societies are advised to note the information provided in the documents and act accordingly.

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