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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Revised Interim Guidelines on Life-saving Appliances and Arrangements for Ships Operating in Polar Waters

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to advise the parties concerned of the Revised Interim Guidelines on Life-saving Appliances and Arrangements for Ships Operating in Polar Waters.

- 1. The Maritime Safety Committee ("MSC") of the International Maritime Organization ("IMO"), at its 106th session in November 2022, approved the circular MSC.1/Circ.1614/Rev.1 to amend the Interim Guidelines on Life-saving Appliances and Arrangements for Ships Operating in Polar Waters with respect to the new provisions concerning the methodology for the calculation of the maximum time of rescue.
- 2. The goal of these Revised Interim Guidelines is to outline possible means of mitigating hazards in order to comply with section 8.3 of part I-A of the International Code for Ships Operating in Polar Waters (Polar Code).
- 3. The Revised Interim Guidelines, circular MSC.1/Circ.1614/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.
- 4. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to note the interim guidelines and act accordingly.

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