

PILOTAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE WORKING GROUP

**Proposed Amendment to Pilotage (Dues) Order, Cap. 84D
(Proposed Additional Dues
for Pilotage Services Performed Beyond Pilot Boarding Station)**

Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to seek members' comments and advice on the proposed amendment to Paragraph 4 of Part 2 of the Pilotage (Dues) Order, Cap. 84D, to meet present pilotage service needs.

Background

2. The Pilotage (Dues) Order, Cap. 84D provides for the amounts of standard pilotage dues, additional pilotage dues payable for pilotage services performed by licensed pilots.

3. Paragraph 4 of Part 2 of the Schedule provides that:

“An additional pilotage due of \$1,482 per half an hour or part thereof shall be payable for any pilotage service performed, where a pilot is required to proceed outwards beyond a pilot boarding station, from the time the ship passes a pilot boarding station outwards until the ship passes a pilot boarding station inwards.”

Proposal

4. The Hong Kong Pilots Association (HKPA) has suggested that pilots should be reasonably remunerated for the extra time and efforts involved in performing pilotage services. On its suitability of applying to present pilotage services beyond pilot boarding stations, HKPA opined that Cap. 84D should be suitably amended to accommodate such pilotage services performed, and suggested adding some new paragraphs after Paragraph 4 of Part 2 as follows:

4A. An additional pilotage due of \$1,482 per half an hour or part thereof shall be payable for any pilotage service performed, where a pilot is required to proceed outwards beyond a pilot boarding station, from the time the ship passes a pilot boarding station outwards until the pilot disembarks from the ship beyond a pilot boarding station.

4B. An additional pilotage due of \$1,482 per half an hour or part thereof shall be payable for any pilotage service performed, where a pilot is required to board a ship beyond a pilot boarding station, from the time the pilot boards the ship until the ship passes a pilot boarding station inwards.

4C. An additional pilotage due of \$1,482 per half an hour or part thereof shall be payable for any pilotage service performed, where a pilot is required to board and disembark from a ship beyond a pilot boarding station, from the time the pilot boards a ship until the pilot disembarks from the ship.”

Presentation

5. This paper will be presented by Marine Manager/Pilotage.

Advice Sought

6. Members’ comments and advice on the proposal at paragraph 4 above are invited.

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