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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

2024 Guidelines as required by Regulation 13.2.2 of MARPOL Annex VI in respect of Non-identical Replacement Engines not required to meet the Tier III Limit

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to advise the parties concerned that the 81st session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) adopted the 2024 Guidelines as required by Regulation 13.2.2 of MARPOL Annex VI in respect of Non-identical Replacement Engines not required to meet the Tier III Limit ("2024 Guidelines"). The 2024 Guidelines supersede the 2013 Guidelines.

- 1. The MEPC 81st session, by resolution MEPC.386(81), adopted the 2024 Guidelines as required by Regulation 13.2.2 of MARPOL Annex VI in respect of Non-identical Replacement Engines not required to meet the Tier III Limit ("2024 Guidelines").
- 2. Regulation 13.2.2 of MARPOL Annex VI specifies which NOx emission standard shall be applied when a marine diesel engine is replaced with a non-identical marine diesel engine, taking into account the 2024 Guidelines which set forth criteria for when it is not possible for a replacement engine to meet the standards in Regulation 13.5.1.1 (Tier III).
- 3. As an updated version, the 2024 Guidelines supersede the 2013 Guidelines adopted by resolution MEPC.230(65).
- 4. The 2024 Guidelines set out in the annex to the resolution MEPC.386(81) can be found on the website of Marine Department (https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/legislation/notices/msin/index.html) as attachment to this Information Note.

