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Circular letter to:

- 1. All companies having registered their ships under the flag of Antigua and Barbuda W.I.**
- 2. All ships registered under the flag of Antigua and Barbuda W.I.**

The A&B Department of Marine Services and Merchant Shipping (ADOMS) wish to draw the attention of companies, masters and officers to the regulations for the Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships, contained in:

Annex VI of MARPOL 73/78 which will enter into force on 19 May 2005.

It has to be pointed out that the following text does not provide the full wording of the Annex VI to MARPOL and the latest amendments thereto.

The purpose of this Circular is to highlight the new requirements out of this new amended Annex VI.

1. Amended Regulation 5, Surveys
 - .1 Every A&B registered ship of 400 GT and above shall be subject to the surveys specified below :
 - a) an initial survey before the ship is put into service under the flag of A&B or before the certificate required under regulation 6 is issued for the first time.
 - b) a renewal survey at intervals not exceeding five years
 - c) an intermediate survey which shall take place as specified in this regulation
 - d) an annual survey which shall take place as specified in this regulation
 - e) an additional survey according to the circumstances
 - .2 A&B registered ships of less than 400 GT may comply with the applicable provisions of this Annex.
 - .3 A&B has entrusted the applicable surveys to its duly authorized Recognized Organizations (RO) as agreed in the individual MOU based on IMO Res. 739(18).
 - .4 The survey of engines and equipment for compliance with Regulation 13 (NOx) of this Annex shall be conducted in accordance with the NOx Technical Code (see Resolution 2 of the 1997 MARPOL Conference).
 - .5 When a RO determines that the condition of the equipment does not correspond substantially with the particulars of the Certificate (IAPP and/or EIAPP), they shall ensure that corrective action is taken and ADOMS is notified in due course. If such corrective action is not taken, the certificate should be withdrawn by ADOMS.

2. Amended Regulation 6, Issue or Endorsement of IAPP

- .1 An IAPP Certificate shall be issued after an initial or renewal survey in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 5 of this Annex to any A&B registered ship of 400 GT or above and engaged in voyages to ports or offshore terminals under the jurisdiction of other Parties
- .2 Such Certificate shall be issued or endorsed by any RO duly authorized by ADOMS.

3. Amended Regulation 7, Issue or Endorsement of Certificate by another Government

- .1 The Government of a Party to the Protocol of 1997 may, at the request of ADOMS, cause a ship to be surveyed and, shall issue an IAPP to the ship, and where appropriate, endorse or authorize the endorsement of that certificate on the ship.
- .2 A copy of the certificate and a copy of the survey report shall be transmitted to ADOMS.
- .3 A certificate so issued shall contain a statement to the effect that it has been issued at the request of ADOMS and it shall have the same force and receive the same recognition as a certificate issued under Regulation 6.

4. Amended Regulation 8, Form of Certificate

- .1 The IAPP shall be drawn up in a form corresponding to a given model form.

5. Amended Regulation 9, Duration and validity of Certificate

- .1 An IAPP shall be issued for a period which shall not exceed five years.
- .2 ADOMS may extend the period of validity of the certificate if a ship at the time when a certificate expires is not in a port in which it is to be surveyed.
- .3 No certificate shall be extended for a period longer than three months
- .4 A certificate issued to a ship engaged on short voyages may be extended by ADOMS for a period of grace of up to one month from the date of expiry stated on it.
- .5 In special circumstances, as determined by ADOMS, a new certificate need not to be dated from the date of expiry of the existing certificate.
- .6 A certificate issued under Regulation 6 or 7 of Annex VI shall cease to be valid :
 - a) if the relevant surveys are not completed within the periods specified in Annex VI.
 - b) if the certificate is not endorsed in accordance with the regulation in Annex VI
 - c) upon transfer of the A&B registered ship to another flag
- .7 A new certificate shall only be issued when the Government issuing the new certificate is fully satisfied that the ship is in compliance with requirements of Regulation 5(4)(a) of Annex VI.
- .8 If requested within three months after the transfer of the ship has taken place, the Administration of the Party whose flag the ship was formerly flying shall transmit to the receiving Administration, copies of the certificate carried by the ship before the transfer.

6. Regulation 13, Nitrogen oxides (NO_x, control of emissions from ships)

- .1 This regulation does apply to each marine diesel engine with a power of output of more than 130 kW :
 - a) which is installed on a ship constructed on or after 1 January 2000
 - b) which undergoes a major conversion on or after 1 January 2000
- .2 Every such marine diesel engine installed on board an A&B registered ship shall be certified by a duly authorized RO as documented by issuance of an EIAAP Certificate according to paragraphs 2.2 and 2.3 of the NO_x Technical Code.

7. Amended Regulation 14, Sulphur oxides (SO_x, control of emissions from ships)

Add in Regulation 14(3)(a) as another SO_x emission control area :

- the **North Sea Area** as defined in Regulation 5(1)(f) of Annex 5 to MARPOL.