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**Circular letter to:**

**all companies having registered their ships under the flag of Antigua and Barbuda;**  
**all ships registered under the flag of Antigua and Barbuda W.I.;**  
**all authorized Recognized Organizations (RO)**

The Antigua and Barbuda Department of Marine Services and Merchant Shipping (ADOMS) wish to draw the attention of all above listed parties to the latest amendments to MARPOL Annex I as adopted by IMO Resolution MEPC 187 (59) in July 2009 and will enter into force on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011. The “hub” of the amendments is the addition of definitions for “Oil residue” (sludge) and for “Oily bilge water” in MARPOL Annex I regulation 1 and amendments to regulations 1, 12, 13, 17 and 38, the Supplement to the IOPP Certificate and Oil Record Book Parts I and II.

**The amendments to MARPOL Annex I regulations 1, 12, 13, 17 and 38** are laid out in Annex 1 to resolution MEPC.187 (59).

**The amendments to the Supplement to the IOPP Certificate**, for Form A (Ships other than Oil Tankers) and for Form B (Oil Tankers), are laid out in Annex 2 of resolution MEPC.187 (59).

**The amendments to the Oil Record Book Parts I and II** are laid out in Annex 3 to resolution MEPC.187 (59). Sections (A) to (H) of Part I (Machinery Space Operations, all Ships) of the Oil Record Book and Section (J) of Part II (Cargo/Ballast operations, Oil Tankers) of the Oil Record Book are replaced. The amendments affect the codes letters and item numbers which are to be used for recording the various required entries.

As from 1 January 2011, it will be a requirement that all Oil Record Books in use on board vessels should comply with the requirements of Appendix III of MARPOL Annex I and we strongly recommend the use of new Oil Record Books which have been printed in compliance with Appendix III of MARPOL Annex I as amended.

However, this Administration will allow the continued use of existing Oil Record Books, in use, until all available pages have been completed or stocks on board are depleted, provided that the Oil Record Book is manually amended to comply with the requirements as set out in these amendments to MARPOL. The manual amendments must be done in a manner which will prevent the shipboard personnel from inadvertently making use of the previously listed items.

We would also take this opportunity to remind you that, in accordance with the requirements of MARPOL Annex I regulation 17(6), Oil Record Books should be preserved and kept on board for a period of at least three (3) years after the last entry has been made.

For ease of reference follow link to view MEPC 187 (59)

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**Please also take note of the pdf-attachment to this circular (MEPC 1 / Circ 736)**

If you should require any further advice on this matter please contact the Technical Department at the St John's office.

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