ANNEX 6

RESOLUTION MEPC.255(67)

Adopted on 17 October 2014

AMENDMENTS TO THE 2013 INTERIM GUIDELINES FOR DETERMINING MINIMUM PROPULSION POWER TO MAINTAIN THE MANOEUVRABILITY OF SHIPS IN ADVERSE CONDITIONS (RESOLUTION MEPC.232(65))

THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 38(a) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Marine Environment Protection Committee conferred upon it by international conventions for the prevention and control of marine pollution from ships,

RECALLING ALSO that, at its sixty-second session, the Committee adopted, by resolution MEPC.203(62), Amendments to the annex of the Protocol of 1997 to amend the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto (inclusion of regulations on energy efficiency for ships in MARPOL Annex VI),

NOTING that the amendments to MARPOL Annex VI adopted at its sixty-second session by resolution MEPC.203(62), including a new chapter 4 for regulations on energy efficiency for ships, entered into force on 1 January 2013,

NOTING ALSO that regulation 21.5 of MARPOL Annex VI, as amended, requires that the installed propulsion power shall not be less than the propulsion power needed to maintain the manoeuvrability of the ship under adverse conditions as defined in the guidelines to be developed by the Organization,

NOTING FURTHER that, at its sixty-fifth session, the Committee adopted, by resolution MEPC.232(65), the 2013 Interim guidelines for determining minimum propulsion power to maintain the manoeuvrability of ships in adverse conditions (the interim guidelines),

RECOGNIZING that the amendments to MARPOL Annex VI require the adoption of relevant guidelines for the smooth and uniform implementation of the regulations and to provide sufficient lead time for industry to prepare,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its sixty-seventh session, proposed amendments to the interim guidelines,

1 ADOPTS amendments to the 2013 Interim guidelines for determining minimum propulsion power to maintain the manoeuvrability of ships in adverse conditions, as set out in the annex to the present resolution;

2 INVITES Administrations to take the aforementioned amendments into account when developing and enacting national laws which give force to and implement provisions set forth in regulation 21.5 of MARPOL Annex VI, as amended;
3 REQUESTS the Parties to MARPOL Annex VI and other Member Governments to bring the amendments to the attention of shipowners, ship operators, shipbuilders, ship designers and any other interested groups;

4 AGREES to keep the interim guidelines, as amended, under review, in light of experience gained with their application.
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1 The footnote related to paragraph 2 "Applicability" is replaced with the following:

"** These interim guidelines are applied to ships required to comply with regulations on Energy Efficiency for Ships according to regulation 21 of MARPOL Annex VI during Phase 0 and Phase 1 (i.e. for those ship types as in table 1 of appendix with the size of equal or more than 20,000 DWT)."

2 The title of the appendix is replaced with the following:

"ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES TO MAINTAIN THE MANOEUVRABILITY UNDER ADVERSE CONDITIONS, APPLICABLE DURING PHASE 0 AND PHASE 1 OF THE EEDI IMPLEMENTATION"

3 Paragraph 1.1 of the appendix is replaced with the following:

"1.1 The procedures as described below are applicable during Phase 0 and Phase 1 of the EEDI implementation as defined in regulation 21 of MARPOL Annex VI (see also paragraph 0 – Purpose of these interim guidelines)."

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