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Subject: Merger of Classification Societies Det Norske Veritas and Germanischer Lloyd.

To : All Accredited Shipping Managers, ship owners, ship operators, Designated Persons Ashore, Recognised Organisations, Recognised Security Organisations and Masters of Luxembourg flagged ships.

1. Statutory certification and merger DNV-GL

At the beginning of 2014, Det Norske Veritas AS (DNV) and Germanischer Lloyd SE (GL) have been merged into a new entity under the ownership of DNV GL AS.

This circular letter provides clarification on how the statutory certification services performed in the past by each one of these Classification Societies shall be handled in the near future.

Likewise, it seeks to avoid misinterpretations with respect to the issuance and delivery of new Continuous Synopsis Records (CSR) for ships flying the Luxembourg flag.

2. Agreement to perform statutory certification services on behalf of the government of the Grand-duchy of Luxembourg

DNV and GL were both authorised to perform statutory certification services by the Luxembourg Maritime Administration and so is the new organization that resulted from the merger process.

A new agreement for recognition of DNV GL as a Luxembourg RO and RSO will soon be finalized. Until then, the existing agreement with DNV is considered to be the current agreement under which statutory services have to be performed.

Any certificate issued, document stamped, inspection or audit carried by DNV or GL, are recognised and accepted by the Luxembourg Maritime Administration and will remain valid until their expiry date or until reissued.

3. Continuous Synopsis Record

The Luxembourg Maritime Administration will not require the issuance of a new subsequent Continuous Synopsis Record as a direct result of the formal merger between DNV and GL.

The new DNV GL name of the classification society acting as RO or RSO on behalf of the government of the Grand-duchy of Luxembourg will only be amended when a new CSR is required to be issued as a consequence of any modifications affecting this document, or on the request of the shipowner.

Until such a need arises, if the RO or RSO stated on the CSR reads DNV or GL it should be treated as if stated DNV GL.

This information may be kept with the vessel's Continuous Synopsis Record file and made available for interested Port State Control authorities, EU Maritime Security Inspectors, Classification Societies and other relevant parties.

You are kindly requested to ensure adequate dissemination of this information within your company and to the relevant Luxembourg flagged vessels.

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