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MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE

PORT MARINE CIRCULAR
No. 4 of 2004

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Shipping Community

**ELECTRONIC PORT CLEARANCE (EPC) FOR VESSELS AFFECTED BY THE
COMING INTO FORCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL SHIP AND PORT FACILITY
SECURITY (ISPS) CODE ON 1 JUL 2004**

Shipping Circular No 3 of 2004 drew the attention of Shipowners on the early compliance with the International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code, which will come into force on 1 Jul 2004.

2 In order to facilitate the obtaining of port clearance certificate via EPC from 1 Jul 2004, the owners and agents of vessels affected by the ISPS code are advised to submit the Original or the Certified True copy of the International Ship Security Certificate (ISSC) to MPA for sighting at the following address:

**MPA Marine Services Department
Clearance and Permit Section
One-Stop Document Centre
01-26 Tanjong Pagar Complex
Singapore 089054**

3 Vessels affected by the ISPS code and which have submitted their ISSC for sighting and updating in the system by MPA officers before 30 Jun 2004 **will be allowed** to obtain their port clearance certificate via EPC from 1 Jul 2004. Vessels affected by the ISPS code but which have not produced the ISSC to MPA for sighting before 30 Jun 2004 **will not be allowed** to obtain their port clearance via EPC from 1 Jul 2004.

4 For clarification and enquiries, please contact our officers at telephone numbers 6325 2370 or 6325 2474.

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