

## MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE

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Bunker Suppliers / Bunker Craft Owners and Operators Shipping Community Harbour Craft Community

## REVOCATION OF AC OIL PTE LTD'S BUNKERING LICENCES DUE TO CONTRAVENTION OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE BUNKERING LICENCES

The Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) has revoked the bunker supplier and bunker craft operator licences of AC Oil Pte Ltd with effect from 29 July 2016. AC Oil Pte Ltd will no longer be allowed to operate as a bunker supplier or bunker craft operator in the Port of Singapore.

- As part of MPA's on-going regulatory efforts to ensure the safety, reliability and quality of bunker supplies in Singapore, checks were conducted on AC Oil Pte Ltd in May and June 2016.
- MPA's investigations into the company revealed discrepancies and wrongful declarations in the records kept on board their bunker tankers. There were also separate incidences of bunker transfers between bunker tankers that were conducted without MPA's approval. In addition, despite being licensed to carry only marine gas oil, a Class C petroleum product, the bunker tankers operated by AC Oil were found to have carried Class B petroleum, a more easily flammable grade (with a lower flash point) as compared to marine gas oil. AC Oil's contraventions increased the safety risks to their own tankers, the crews on-boards, and other port users. MPA has revoked AC Oil's licences as they had breached the terms and conditions of their bunker supplier and bunker craft operator licences.
- 4 MPA reminds all licensed bunker suppliers and bunker craft operators to adhere strictly to the terms and conditions of their bunker licences. MPA will take firm action against any licensee who has acted in contravention of their licences, including suspending or revoking their bunker licences, as appropriate.
- 5 Please contact Mr Md Elfian Harun at tel. no. 6325 2309 or email Md Elfian Harun@mpa.gov.sg for any clarification needed on this circular.

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