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Applicable to: Shipowners, ship managers, operators, masters, crew members, recognised organisations, surveyors and the shipping community

- (I) PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA (OIL) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2018**
- (II) PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA (GARBAGE) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2018**
- (III) PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA (AIR) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2018**

This circular informs the shipping community on the above mentioned amendments to the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea Regulations which will come into force with effect from **1 March 2018**.

2. The Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) had adopted amendments to Annexes I, V and VI of MARPOL 73/78 at its seventieth session through Resolutions [MEPC.276\(70\)](#), [MEPC.277\(70\)](#) and [MEPC.278\(70\)](#) respectively. The amendments to the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea Regulations give effect to these resolutions.

Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Oil) (Amendment) Regulations 2018

3. [MEPC.276\(70\)](#) amends Form B of the IOPP Certificate to remove obsolete provisions and to provide clarity in completing the document to demonstrate compliance to MARPOL Annex I provisions.

Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Garbage) (Amendment) Regulations 2018

4. [MEPC.277\(70\)](#) introduces an appendix listing the classification criteria for determining if solid bulk cargoes are harmful to the marine environment (HME) and requires shippers to declare if the solid bulk cargoes are HME. The form of Garbage Record Book under MARPOL Annex V is also amended to include a new Part II for ships to record the disposal of such residues.

Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Air) (Amendment) Regulations 2018

5. [MEPC.278\(70\)](#) implements the Data Collection System (DCS) under MARPOL Annex VI and will require ships that are 5000 gross tonnage and above to collect and report their annual fuel consumption from 1 January 2019 onwards. Ships will be required to amend their Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) to reflect their methodology for collecting the data.

6. Copies of the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Oil) (Amendment) Regulations 2018 (Government Gazette No.**S112/2018**), Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Garbage) (Amendment) Regulations 2018 (Government Gazette No.**S114/2018**) and Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Air) (Amendment) Regulations 2018 (Government Gazette No.**S113/2018**) may be purchased at:

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7. The shipping community may also be able to access the legislations online at: [Prevention of Pollution of the Sea Regulations](#).

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