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Notice on Voluntary Applying IMO “Guidance for the Development of a Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan(SEEMP)” and “Guidelines for Voluntary Use of the Ship Energy Efficiency Operational Indicator(EEOI)”

The Marine Environment Protection Committee, at its fifth-nine session (13-17 July 2009), agree to circulate the Guidance for the Development of a Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan(SEEMP) and Guidelines for Voluntary Use of the Ship Energy Efficiency Operational Indicator(EEOI). Both English text and Chinese version are attached together with key points summarized as below to be taken into account into any applying:

- 1、 The concept of SEEMP and EEOI illustrated respectively in the two appendix attached to this circular, consist of operational measures which will take a more and more important role in international shipping GHG reduction together with technical measures and market-based measures.
- 2、 The SEEMP is to be developed mainly by the famous four steps of PDCA, namely Plan-Do-Monitoring-Self-assessment and improvement. For “Plan”, Ship/Company concerned need to select some ship-specified measures from the suggested Best Practices contained in the attached MEPC.1/Circ.683 and incorporate them into the Plan. The Plan should also include company-specified

measures, human resource development and goal-setting. For “Do”, it is essential to establish a system for implementation of the identified and selected measures by developing the procedures for energy management. Record-keeping should be encouraged. For “Monitoring”, a monitoring system should be developed with the quantitatively tool of EEOI. For “Self- assessment and improvement”, procedures should be developed, the outcome should feedback to refinement of the Plan and may be used in coping with possible Flag state measures or environmentally-differentiated harbour fees.

- 3、 For calculation of EEOI, it is important to define a period or a number of voyages based on operating character of the ship/company concerned. The example in appendix can be taken into account. A longer period need to be defined for calculation of the rolling average.

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ANNEX 1: MEPC.1/Circ.684—GUIDELINES FOR VOLUNTARY USE OF THE SHIP ENERGY EFFICIENCY OPERATIONAL INDICATOR (EEOI)

ANNEX 2: MEPC.1/Circ.683—GUIDANCE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SHIP ENERGY EFFICIENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN (SEEMP)

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GUIDANCE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SHIP ENERGY EFFICIENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN (SEEMP)

- 1 The Marine Environment Protection Committee, at its fifty-ninth session (13 to 17 July 2009), recognizing the need to develop management tools to assist a shipping company in managing the environmental performance of its ships, agreed to circulate the Guidance for the development of a ship energy efficiency management plan, as set out in the annex.
- 2 Member Governments are invited to bring the annexed Guidance to the attention of their Administrations, industry, relevant shipping organizations, shipping companies and other stakeholders concerned and to promote the use of the Guidance on a voluntary basis.
- 3 Member Governments and observer organizations are also invited to provide information of the outcome and experiences in applying the Guidance to future sessions of the Committee.

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**GUIDANCE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SHIP ENERGY EFFICIENCY
MANAGEMENT PLAN (SEEMP)**

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PLAN (SEEMP)**

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 There are around 70,000 ships engaged in international trade and this unique industry carries 90% of world trade. Sea transport has a justifiable image of conducting its operations in a manner that creates remarkably little impact on the global environment. Compliance with the MARPOL Convention and other IMO instruments and the actions that many companies take beyond the mandatory requirements serve to further limit the impact. It is nevertheless the case that enhancement of efficiencies can reduce fuel consumption, save money and decrease environmental impacts for individual ships. While the yield of individual measures may be small, the collective effect across the entire fleet will be significant.

1.2 In global terms it should be recognized that operational efficiencies delivered by a large number of ship operators will make an invaluable contribution to reducing global carbon emissions.

1.3 A Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan provides a possible approach for monitoring ship and fleet efficiency performance over time and some options to be considered when seeking to optimize the performance of the ship.

2 GENERAL

2.1 The purpose of a Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) is to establish a mechanism for a company and/or a ship to improve the energy efficiency of a ship's operation. Preferably, the ship-specific SEEMP is linked to a broader corporate energy management policy for the company that owns, operates or controls the ship, recognizing that no two shipping companies or shipowners are the same, and that ships operate under a wide range of different conditions.

2.2 Many companies will already have an environmental management system (EMS) in place under ISO14001 which contains procedures for selecting the best measures for particular vessels and then setting objectives for the measurement of relevant parameters, along with relevant control and feedback features. Monitoring of operational environmental efficiency should therefore be treated as an integral element of broader company management systems.

2.3 This document provides guidance for the development of a SEEMP that should be adjusted to the characteristics and needs of individual companies and ships. The SEEMP is intended to be a management tool to assist a company in managing the ongoing environmental performance of its vessels and as such, it is recommended that a company develops procedures for implementing the plan in a manner which limits any onboard administrative burden to the minimum necessary.

2.4 The SEEMP should be developed as a ship-specific plan by the shipowner, operator or any other party concerned, e.g., charterer. The SEEMP seeks to improve a ship's energy efficiency through four steps: *planning, implementation, monitoring, and self-evaluation and improvement*. These components play a critical role in the continuous cycle to improve ship energy management. With each iteration of the cycle, some elements of the SEEMP will necessarily change while others may remain as before.

3 APPLICATION

Planning

3.1 Planning is the most crucial stage of the SEEMP, in that it primarily determines both the current status of ship energy usage and the expected improvement of ship energy efficiency. Therefore, it is encouraged to devote sufficient time to planning so that the most appropriate, effective and implementable plan can be developed.

Ship-specific measures

3.2 Recognizing that there are a variety of options to improve efficiency – speed optimization, weather routing and hull maintenance, for example – and that the best package of measures for a ship to improve efficiency differs to a great extent depending upon ship type, cargoes, routes and other factors, the specific measures for the ship to improve energy efficiency should be identified in the first place. These measures should be listed as a package of measures to be implemented, thus providing the overview of the actions to be taken for that ship.

3.3 During this process, therefore, it is important to determine and understand the ship's current status of energy usage. The SEEMP then identifies energy-saving measures that have been undertaken, and determines how effective these measures are in terms of improving energy efficiency. The SEEMP also identifies what measures can be adopted to further improve the energy efficiency of the ship. It should be noted, however, that not all measures can be applied to all ships, or even to the same ship under different operating conditions and that some of them are mutually exclusive. Ideally, initial measures could yield energy (and cost) saving results that then can be reinvested into more difficult or expensive efficiency upgrades identified by the SEEMP.

3.4 Guidance on Best Practices for Fuel-Efficient Operation of Ships set out in paragraph 4 below can be used to facilitate this part of the planning phase. Also, in the planning process, particular consideration should be given to minimize any onboard administrative burden.

Company-specific measures

3.5 The improvement of energy efficiency of ship operation does not necessarily depend on single ship management only. Rather, it may depend on many stakeholders including ship repair yards, shipowners, operators, charterers, cargo owners, ports and traffic management services. For example, “Just in time” – as explained in 4.5 – requires good early communication among operators, ports and traffic management service. The better coordination among such stakeholders is, the more improvement can be expected. In most cases, such coordination or total management is better made by a company rather than by a ship. In this sense, it is recommended that a company also establish an energy management plan to manage its fleet (should it not have one in place already) and make necessary coordination among stakeholders.

Human resource development

3.6 For effective and steady implementation of the adopted measures, raising awareness of and providing necessary training for personnel both on shore and on board are an important element. Such human resource development is encouraged and should be considered as an important component of planning as well as a critical element of implementation.

Goal setting

3.7 The last part of planning is goal setting. It should be emphasized that the goal setting is voluntary, that there is no need to announce the goal or the result to the public, and that neither a company nor a ship are subject to external inspection. The purpose of goal setting is to serve as a signal which involved people should be conscious of, to create a good incentive for proper implementation, and then to increase commitment to the improvement of energy efficiency. The goal can take any form, such as the annual fuel consumption or a specific target of Energy Efficiency Operational Indicator (EEOI). Whatever the goal is, the goal should be measurable and easy to understand.

Implementation

Establishment of implementation system

3.8 After a ship and a company identify the measures to be implemented, it is essential to establish a system for implementation of the identified and selected measures by developing the procedures for energy management, by defining tasks and by assigning them to qualified personnel. Thus, the SEEMP should describe how each measure should be implemented and who the responsible person(s) is. The development of such a system can be considered as a part of *planning*, and therefore may be completed at the planning stage.

Implementation and record-keeping

3.9 The planned measures should be carried out in accordance with the predetermined implementation system. Record-keeping for the implementation of each measure is beneficial for self-evaluation at a later stage and should be encouraged. If any identified measure cannot be implemented for any reason(s), the reason(s) should be recorded for internal use.

Monitoring

Monitoring tools

3.10 The energy efficiency of a ship should be monitored quantitatively. This should be done by an established method, preferably by an international standard. The EEOI developed by the Organization is one of the internationally established tools to obtain a quantitative indicator of energy efficiency of a ship and/or fleet in operation, and can be used for this purpose. Therefore, EEOI could be considered as the primary monitoring tool, although other quantitative measures also may be appropriate.

3.11 If used, the EEOI should be calculated in accordance with the Guidelines developed by the Organization (MEPC.1/Circ.684). If deemed appropriate, a Rolling Average Index of the EEOI values may be calculated to monitor energy efficiency of the ship over time.

3.12 In addition to the EEOI, if convenient and/or beneficial for a ship or a company, other measurement tools can be utilized. In the case where other monitoring tools are used, the concept of the tool and the method of monitoring may be determined at the planning stage.

Establishment of monitoring system

3.13 It should be noted that whatever measurement tools are used, continuous and consistent data collection is the foundation of monitoring. To allow for meaningful and consistent monitoring, the monitoring system, including the procedures for collecting data and the assignment of responsible personnel, should be developed. The development of such a system can be considered as a part of *planning*, and therefore should be completed at the planning stage.

3.14 It should be noted that, in order to avoid unnecessary administrative burdens on ships' staff, monitoring should be carried out as far as possible by shore staff, utilizing data obtained from existing required records such as the official and engineering log-books and oil record books, etc. Additional data could be obtained as appropriate.

Self-evaluation and improvement

3.15 *Self-evaluation and improvement* is the final phase of the management cycle. This phase should produce meaningful feedback for the coming first stage, i.e. planning stage of the next improvement cycle.

3.16 The purpose of self-evaluation is to evaluate the effectiveness of the planned measures and of their implementation, to deepen the understanding on the overall characteristics of the ship's operation such as what types of measures can/cannot function effectively, and how and/or why, to comprehend the trend of the efficiency improvement of that ship and to develop the improved SEEMP for the next cycle.

3.17 For this process, procedures for self-evaluation of ship energy management should be developed. Furthermore, self-evaluation should be implemented periodically by using data collected through monitoring. In addition, it is recommended to invest time in identifying the cause-and-effect of the performance during the evaluated period for improving the next stage of the management plan.

Voluntary reporting/review

3.18 Some shipowners/operators may wish to make public the results of the actions they have taken in their SEEMP and how those actions have impacted the efficiency of their ship(s). These efforts should be incentivized as voluntary reporting and review, which could have a number of benefits. Some national Administrations, ports or partnerships may wish to recognize the efforts of these leading shipowners/operators. For example, some ports now offer environmentally-differentiated harbour fees or other rewards to those ships that qualify as "green" and a growing number of consumer products companies increasingly utilize only verifiably green transportation options in moving their products to market. Such a proposed framework is complementary to and can easily coexist with currently successful national and international energy efficiency and emissions reductions programmes outside IMO.

4 GUIDANCE ON BEST PRACTICES FOR FUEL-EFFICIENT OPERATION OF SHIPS

4.1 The search for efficiency across the entire transport chain takes responsibility beyond what can be delivered by the owner/operator alone. A list of all the possible stakeholders in the efficiency of a single voyage is long; obvious parties are designers, shipyards and engine manufacturers for the characteristics of the ship, and charterers, ports and vessel traffic management services, etc., for the specific voyage. All involved parties should consider the inclusion of efficiency measures in their operations both individually and collectively.

Fuel-Efficient Operations

Improved voyage planning

4.2 The optimum route and improved efficiency can be achieved through the careful planning and execution of voyages. Thorough voyage planning needs time, but a number of different software tools are available for planning purposes.

4.3 IMO resolution A.893(21) (25 November 1999) on Guidelines for voyage planning provides essential guidance for the ship's crew and voyage planners.

Weather routeing

4.4 Weather routeing has a high potential for efficiency savings on specific routes. It is commercially available for all types of ship and for many trade areas. Significant savings can be achieved, but conversely weather routeing may also increase fuel consumption for a given voyage.

Just in time

4.5 Good early communication with the next port should be an aim in order to give maximum notice of berth availability and facilitate the use of optimum speed where port operational procedures support this approach.

4.6 Optimized port operation could involve a change in procedures involving different handling arrangements in ports. Port authorities should be encouraged to maximize efficiency and minimize delay.

Speed optimization

4.7 Speed optimization can produce significant savings. However, optimum speed means the speed at which the fuel used per tonne mile is at a minimum level for that voyage. It does not mean minimum speed; in fact sailing at less than optimum speed will consume more fuel rather than less. Reference should be made to the engine manufacturer's power/consumption curve and the ship's propeller curve. Possible adverse consequences of slow speed operation may include increased vibration and sooting and these should be taken into account.

4.8 As part of the speed optimization process, due account may need to be taken of the need to coordinate arrival times with the availability of loading/discharge berths, etc. The number of ships engaged in a particular trade route may need to be taken into account when considering speed optimization.

4.9 A gradual increase in speed when leaving a port or estuary whilst keeping the engine load within certain limits may help to reduce fuel consumption.

4.10 It is recognized that under many charter parties the speed of the vessel is determined by the charterer and not the operator. Efforts should be made when agreeing charter party terms to encourage the ship to operate at optimum speed in order to maximize energy efficiency.

Optimized shaft power

4.11 Operation at constant shaft RPM can be more efficient than continuously adjusting speed through engine power (see 4.7). The use of automated engine management systems to control speed rather than relying on human intervention may be beneficial.

Optimized ship handling

Optimum trim

4.12 Most ships are designed to carry a designated amount of cargo at a certain speed for a certain fuel consumption. This implies the specification of set trim conditions. Loaded or unloaded, trim has a significant influence on the resistance of the ship through the water and optimizing trim can deliver significant fuel savings. For any given draft there is a trim condition that gives minimum resistance. In some ships, it is possible to assess optimum trim conditions for fuel efficiency continuously throughout the voyage. Design or safety factors may preclude full use of trim optimization.

Optimum ballast

4.13 Ballast should be adjusted taking into consideration the requirements to meet optimum trim and steering conditions and optimum ballast conditions achieved through good cargo planning.

4.14 When determining the optimum ballast conditions, the limits, conditions and ballast management arrangements set out in the ship's Ballast Water Management Plan are to be observed for that ship.

4.15 Ballast conditions have a significant impact on steering conditions and autopilot settings and it needs to be noted that less ballast water does not necessarily mean the highest efficiency.

Optimum propeller and propeller inflow considerations

4.16 Selection of the propeller is normally determined at the design and construction stage of a ship's life but new developments in propeller design have made it possible for retrofitting of later designs to deliver greater fuel economy. Whilst it is certainly for consideration, the propeller is but one part of the propulsion train and a change of propeller in isolation may have no effect on efficiency and may even increase fuel consumption.

4.17 Improvements to the water inflow to the propeller using arrangements such as fins and/or nozzles could increase propulsive efficiency power and hence reduce fuel consumption.

Optimum use of rudder and heading control systems (autopilots)

4.18 There have been large improvements in automated heading and steering control systems technology. Whilst originally developed to make the bridge team more effective, modern autopilots can achieve much more. An integrated Navigation and Command System can achieve significant fuel savings by simply reducing the distance sailed "off track". The principle is simple; better course control through less frequent and smaller corrections will minimize losses due to rudder resistance. Retrofitting of a more efficient autopilot to existing ships could be considered.

4.19 During approaches to ports and pilot stations the autopilot cannot always be used efficiently as the rudder has to respond quickly to given commands. Furthermore at certain stage of the voyage it may have to be deactivated or very carefully adjusted, i.e. heavy weather and approaches to ports.

4.20 Consideration may be given to the retrofitting of improved rudder blade design (e.g., 'twist-flow' rudder).

Hull maintenance

4.21 Docking intervals should be integrated with ship operator's ongoing assessment of ship performance. Hull resistance can be optimized by new technology-coating systems, possibly in combination with cleaning intervals. Regular in-water inspection of the condition of the hull is recommended.

4.22 Propeller cleaning and polishing or even appropriate coating may significantly increase fuel efficiency. The need for ships to maintain efficiency through in-water hull cleaning should be recognized and facilitated by port States.

4.23 Consideration may be given to the possibility of timely full removal and replacement of underwater paint systems to avoid the increased hull roughness caused by repeated spot blasting and repairs over multiple dockings.

4.24 Generally, the smoother the hull, the better the fuel efficiency.

Propulsion system

4.25 Marine diesel engines have a very high thermal efficiency (~50%). This excellent performance is only exceeded by fuel cell technology with an average thermal efficiency of 60%. This is due to the systematic minimization of heat and mechanical loss. In particular, the new breed of electronic controlled engines can provide efficiency gains. However, specific training for relevant staff may need to be considered to maximize the benefits.

Propulsion system maintenance

4.26 Maintenance in accordance with manufacturers' instructions in the company's planned maintenance schedule will also maintain efficiency. The use of engine condition monitoring can be a useful tool to maintain high efficiency.

4.27 Additional means to improve engine efficiency might include:

- Use of fuel additives;
- Adjustment of cylinder lubrication oil consumption;
- Valve improvements;
- Torque analysis; and
- Automated engine monitoring systems.

Waste heat recovery

4.28 Waste heat recovery is now a commercially available technology for some ships. Waste heat recovery systems use thermal heat losses from the exhaust gas for either electricity generation or additional propulsion with a shaft motor.

4.29 It may not be possible to retrofit such systems into existing ships. However, they may be a beneficial option for new ships. Shipbuilders should be encouraged to incorporate new technology into their designs.

Improved fleet management

4.30 Better utilization of fleet capacity can often be achieved by improvements in fleet planning. For example, it may be possible to avoid or reduce long ballast voyages through improved fleet planning. There is opportunity here for charterers to promote efficiency. This can be closely related to the concept of “just in time” arrivals.

4.31 Efficiency, reliability and maintenance-oriented data sharing within a company can be used to promote best practice among ships within a company and should be actively encouraged.

Improved cargo handling

4.32 Cargo handling is in most cases under the control of the port and optimum solutions matched to ship and port requirements should be explored.

Energy management

4.33 A review of electrical services on board can reveal the potential for unexpected efficiency gains. However care should be taken to avoid the creation of new safety hazards when turning off electrical services (e.g., lighting). Thermal insulation is an obvious means of saving energy. Also see comment below on shore power.

4.34 Optimization of reefer container stowage locations may be beneficial in reducing the effect of heat transfer from compressor units. This might be combined as appropriate with cargo tank heating, ventilation, etc. The use of water-cooled reefer plant with lower energy consumption might also be considered.

Fuel Type

4.35 Use of emerging alternative fuels may be considered as a CO₂ reduction method but availability will often determine the applicability.

Other measures

4.36 Development of computer software for the calculation of fuel consumption, for the establishment of an emissions “footprint”, to optimize operations, and the establishment of goals for improvement and tracking of progress may be considered.

4.37 Renewable energy sources, such as wind, solar (or Photovoltaic) cell technology, have improved enormously in the recent years and should be considered for onboard application.

4.38 In some ports shore power may be available for some ships but this is generally aimed at improving air quality in the port area. If the shore-based power source is carbon efficient, there may be a net efficiency benefit. Ships may consider using onshore power if available.

4.39 Even wind assisted propulsion may be worthy of consideration.

4.40 Efforts could be made to source fuel of improved quality in order to minimize the amount of fuel required to provide a given power output.

Compatibility of measures

4.41 This document indicates a wide variety of possibilities for energy efficiency improvements for the existing fleet. While there are many options available, they are not cumulative, are often area and trade dependent and likely to require the agreement and support of a number of different stakeholders if they are to be utilized most effectively.

Age and operational service life of a ship

4.42 All measures identified in this document are potentially cost effective as a result of high oil prices. Measures previously considered unaffordable or commercially unattractive may now be feasible and worthy of fresh consideration. Clearly, this equation is heavily influenced by the remaining service life of a ship and the cost of fuel.

Trade and sailing area

4.43 The feasibility of many of the measures described in this guidance will be dependent on the trade and sailing area of the vessel. Sometimes ships will change their trade areas as a result of a change in chartering requirements but this cannot be taken as a general assumption. For example wind-enhanced power sources might not be feasible for short sea shipping as these ships generally sail in areas with high traffic densities or in restricted waterways. Another aspect is that the world's oceans and seas each have characteristic conditions and so ships designed for specific routes and trades may not obtain the same benefit by adopting the same measures or combination of measures as other ships. It is also likely that some measures will have a greater or lesser effect in different sailing areas.

4.44 The trade a ship is engaged in will also determine the feasibility of some of the measures. Ships that perform services at sea (pipe laying, seismic survey, OSVs, dredgers, etc.) are likely to choose different methods of carbon reductions when compared to conventional cargo carriers. The length of voyage will also be an important parameter as will safety considerations imposed upon some vessels. As a result, it is likely that the pathway to the most efficient combination of measures will be unique to each vessel within each shipping company.

A sample form of a SEEMP is presented in the appendix for illustrative purposes.

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APPENDIX

SHIP EFFICIENCY ENERGY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Name of Vessel:		GT:	
Vessel Type:		Capacity:	

Date of Development:		Developed by:	
Implementation Period:	From: Until:	Implemented by:	
Planned Date of Next Evaluation:			

1 MEASURES

Energy Efficiency Measures	Implementation (including the starting date)	Responsible Personnel
Weather Routeing	<Example> Contracted with [Service providers] to use their weather routeing system and start using on-trial basis as of 1 July 2012.	<Example> The master is responsible for selecting the optimum route based on the information provided by [Service providers].
Speed Optimization	While the design speed (85% MCR) is 19.0 kt, the maximum speed is set at 17.0 kt as of 1 July 2012.	The master is responsible for keeping the ship's speed. The log-book entry should be checked every day.

2 MONITORING

- Description of monitoring tools

3 GOAL

- Measurable goals

4 EVALUATION

- Procedures of evaluation



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GUIDELINES FOR VOLUNTARY USE OF THE SHIP ENERGY EFFICIENCY OPERATIONAL INDICATOR (EEOI)

1 The Conference of Parties to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto, held from 15 to 26 September 1997 in conjunction with the Marine Environment Protection Committee's fortieth session, adopted Conference resolution 8, on CO₂ emissions from ships.

2 IMO Assembly resolution A.963(23) on IMO policies and practices related to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from ships urged the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) to identify and develop the mechanism or mechanisms needed to achieve the limitation or reduction of Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions from international shipping and, in doing so, to give priority to the establishment of a GHG baseline; and the development of a methodology to describe the GHG efficiency of a ship in terms of GHG emission indicator for that ship.

3 As urged by the Assembly, MEPC 53 approved Interim Guidelines for Voluntary Ship CO₂ Emission Index for Use in Trials.

4 These Guidelines can be used to establish a consistent approach for voluntary use of an EEOI, which will assist shipowners, ship operators and parties concerned in the evaluation of the performance of their fleet with regard to CO₂ emissions. As the amount of CO₂ emitted from a ship is directly related to the consumption of bunker fuel oil, the EEOI can also provide useful information on a ship's performance with regard to fuel efficiency.

5 These Guidelines may be updated periodically, to take account of:

- Operational experiences from use of the indicator for different ship types, as reported to MEPC by industry organizations and Administrations; and
- Any other relevant developments.

6 Industry organizations and interested Administrations are invited to promote the use of the attached Guidelines or equivalent approaches and their incorporation in company and ship environmental management plans. In addition, they are invited to report their experience in applying the EEOI concept back to MEPC.

7 In addition to these Guidelines, due account should be taken of the pertinent clauses within the ISM Code in voluntary basis along with reference to relevant industry guidance on the management and reduction of CO₂ emissions.

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**GUIDELINES FOR VOLUNTARY USE OF THE SHIP ENERGY EFFICIENCY
OPERATIONAL INDICATOR (EEOI)**

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1 INTRODUCTION

In 1997 IMO adopted a resolution on CO₂ emissions from ships¹.

IMO Assembly further adopted resolution A.963(23) on IMO policies and practices related to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from ships, which requests the MEPC to develop a greenhouse gas emission index for ships, and guidelines for use of that index.

This document constitutes the Guidelines for the use of an Energy Efficiency Operational Indicator (EEOI) for ships. It sets out:

- what the objectives of the IMO CO₂ emissions indicator are;
- how a ship's CO₂ performance should be measured; and
- how the index could be used to promote low-emission shipping, in order to help limit the impact of shipping on global climate change.

2 OBJECTIVES

The objective of these Guidelines is to provide the users with assistance in the process of establishing a mechanism to achieve the limitation or reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from ships in operation.

These Guidelines present the concept of an indicator for the energy efficiency of a ship in operation, as an expression of efficiency expressed in the form of CO₂ emitted per unit of transport work. The Guidelines are intended to provide an example of a calculation method which could be used as an objective, performance-based approach to monitoring the efficiency of a ship's operation.

These Guidelines are recommendatory in nature and present a possible use of an operational indicator. However, shipowners, ship operators and parties concerned are invited to implement either these Guidelines or an equivalent method in their environmental management systems and consider adoption of the principles herein when developing plans for performance monitoring.

3 DEFINITIONS

3.1 Indicator definition

In its most simple form *the Energy Efficiency Operational Indicator* is defined as the ratio of mass of CO₂ (*M*) emitted per unit of transport work:

$$\text{Indicator} = M_{\text{CO}_2} / (\text{transport work})$$

For more details of indicator calculation, see 3.2 to 3.4 and Appendix 1.

¹ Resolution 8 of the 1997 International Conference of Parties to MARPOL 73/78.

3.2 Fuel consumption

Fuel consumption, FC, is defined as all fuel consumed at sea and in port or for a voyage or period in question, e.g., a day, by main and auxiliary engines including boilers and incinerators.

3.3 Distance sailed

Distance sailed means the actual distance sailed in nautical miles (deck log-book data) for the voyage or period in question.

3.4 Ship and cargo types

The Guidelines are applicable for all ships performing transport work.

.1 Ships:

- dry cargo carriers
- tankers
- gas tankers
- containerships
- ro-ro cargo ships
- general cargo ships
- passenger ships including ro-ro passenger ships

.2 Cargo:

Cargo includes but not limited to:

all gas, liquid and solid bulk cargo, general cargo, containerized cargo (including the return of empty units), break bulk, heavy lifts, frozen and chilled goods, timber and forest products, cargo carried on freight vehicles, cars and freight vehicles on ro-ro ferries and passengers (for passenger and ro-ro passenger ships)

3.5 Cargo Mass Carried or Work Done

In general, cargo mass carried or work done is expressed as follows:

- .1 for dry cargo carriers, liquid tankers, gas tankers, ro-ro cargo ships and general cargo ships, metric tonnes (*t*) of the cargo carried should be used;
- .2 for containerships carrying solely containers, number of containers (TEU) or metric tons (*t*) of the total mass of cargo and containers should be used;
- .3 for ships carrying a combination of containers and other cargoes, a TEU mass of 10 t could be applied for loaded TEUs and 2 t for empty TEUs; and
- .4 for passenger ships, including ro-ro passenger ships, number of passengers or gross tonnes of the ship should be used;

In some particular cases, work done can be expressed as follows:

- .5 for car ferries and car carriers, number of car units or occupied lane metres;

- .6 for containerhips, number of TEUs (empty or full); and
- .7 for railway and ro-ro vessels, number of railway cars and freight vehicles, or occupied lane metres.

For vessels such as, for example, certain ro-ro vessels, which carry a mixture of passengers in cars, foot passengers and freight, operators may wish to consider some form of weighted average based on the relative significance of these trades for their particular service or the use of other parameters or indicators as appropriate.

3.6 Voyage

Voyage generally means the period between a departure from a port to the departure from the next port. Alternative definitions of a voyage could also be acceptable.

4 ESTABLISHING AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY OPERATIONAL INDICATOR (EEOI)

The EEOI should be a representative value of the energy efficiency of the ship operation over a consistent period which represents the overall trading pattern of the vessel. Guidance on a basic calculation procedure for a generic EEOI is provided in the Appendix.

In order to establish the EEOI, the following main steps will generally be needed:

- .1 define the period for which the EEOI is calculated*;
- .2 define data sources for data collection;
- .3 collect data;
- .4 convert data to appropriate format; and
- .5 calculate EEOI.

* Ballast voyages, as well as voyages which are not used for transport of cargo, such as voyage for docking service, should also be included. Voyages for the purpose of securing the safety of a ship or saving life at sea should be excluded.

5 GENERAL DATA RECORDING AND DOCUMENTATION PROCEDURES

Ideally, the data recording method used should be uniform so that information can be easily collated and analysed to facilitate the extraction of the required information. The collection of data from ships should include the distance travelled, the quantity and type of fuel used, and all fuel information that may affect the amount of carbon dioxide emitted. For example, fuel information is provided on the bunker delivery notes that are required under regulation 18 of MARPOL Annex VI.

If the example formula given in the Appendix is used, then the unit used for distance travelled and quantity of fuel should be expressed in nautical miles and metric tonnes. The work done can be expressed using units appropriate for the ship type in paragraph 3.5.

It is important that sufficient information is collected on the ship with regard to fuel type and quantity, distance travelled and cargo type so that a realistic assessment can be generated.

The distance travelled should be calculated by actual distance travelled, as contained in the ship's log-book.

Amount and type of fuel used (bunker delivery notes) and distance travelled (according to the ship's log-book) could be documented by the ship based either on the example described in the Appendix or on an equivalent company procedure.

6 MONITORING AND VERIFICATION

6.1 General

Documented procedures to monitor and measure, on a regular basis, should be developed and maintained. Elements to be considered when establishing procedures for monitoring could include:

- identification of operations/activities with impact on the performance;
- identification of data sources and measurements that are necessary, and specification of the format;
- identification of frequency and personnel performing measurements; and
- maintenance of quality control procedures for verification procedures.

The results of this type of self-assessment could be reviewed and used as indicators of the System's success and reliability, as well as identifying those areas in need of corrective action or improvement.

It is important that the source of figures established are properly recorded, the basis on which figures have been calculated and any decisions on difficult or grey areas of data. This will provide assistance on areas for improvement and be helpful for any later analysis.

In order to avoid unnecessary administrative burdens on ships' staff, it is recommended that monitoring of an EEOI should be carried out by shore staff, utilizing data obtained from existing required records such as the official and engineering log-books and oil record books, etc. The necessary data could be obtained during internal audits under the ISM Code, routine visits by superintendents, etc.

6.2 Rolling average indicator

As a ship energy efficiency management tool, the rolling average indicator, when used, should be calculated by use of a methodology whereby the minimum period of time or a number of voyages that is statistically relevant is used as appropriate. "Statistically relevant" means that the period set as standard for each individual ship should remain constant and be wide enough so the accumulated data mass reflects a reasonable mean value for operation of the ship in question over the selected period.

7 USE OF GUIDELINES

Methodology and use of EEOI, as described in these Guidelines, provide an example of a transparent and recognized approach for assessment of the GHG efficiency of a ship with respect to CO₂ emissions. The Guidelines are considered to be suitable for implementation within a company environmental management system.

Implementation of the EEOI in an established environmental management system should be performed in line with the implementation of any other chosen indicator and follow the main elements of the recognized standards (planning, implementation and operation, checking and corrective action, management review).

When using the EEOI as a performance indicator, the indicator could provide a basis for consideration of both current performance and trends over time.

One approach could be to set internal performance criteria and targets based on the EEOI data.

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APPENDIX

CALCULATION OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY OPERATIONAL INDICATOR (EEOI) BASED ON OPERATIONAL DATA

1 General

The objective of the Appendix is to provide guidance on calculation of the Energy Efficiency Operational Indicator (EEOI) based on data from the operation of the ship.

2 Data sources

Primary data sources selected could be the ship's log-book (bridge log-book, engine log-book, deck log-book and other official records).

3 Fuel mass to CO₂ mass conversion factors (C_F)

C_F is a non-dimensional conversion factor between fuel consumption measured in g and CO₂ emission also measured in g based on carbon content. The value of C_F is as follows:

Type of fuel	Reference	Carbon content	C_F (t-CO ₂ /t-Fuel)
1. Diesel/Gas Oil	ISO 8217 Grades DMX through DMC	0.875	3.206000
2. Light Fuel Oil (LFO)	ISO 8217 Grades RMA through RMD	0.86	3.151040
3. Heavy Fuel Oil (HFO)	ISO 8217 Grades RME through RMK	0.85	3.114400
4. Liquified Petroleum Gas (LPG)	Propane Butane	0.819 0.827	3.000000 3.030000
5. Liquified Natural Gas (LNG)		0.75	2.750000

4 Calculation of EEOI

The basic expression for EEOI for a voyage is defined as:

$$EEOI = \frac{\sum_j FC_j \times C_{Fj}}{m_{cargo} \times D} \quad \text{Equation 1}$$

Where average of the indicator for a period or for a number of voyages is obtained, the Indicator is calculated as:

$$\text{Average EEOI} = \frac{\sum_i \sum_j (FC_{ij} \times C_{Fj})}{\sum_i (m_{cargo,i} \times D_i)} \quad \text{Equation 2}$$

Where:

- j is the fuel type;
- i is the voyage number;
- FC_{ij} is the mass of consumed fuel j at voyage i ;
- C_{Fj} is the fuel mass to CO₂ mass conversion factor for fuel j ;
- m_{cargo} is cargo carried (tonnes) or work done (number of TEU or passengers) or gross tonnes for passenger ships; and
- D is the distance in nautical miles corresponding to the cargo carried or work done.

The unit of EEOI depends on the measurement of cargo carried or work done, e.g., tonnes CO₂/(tonnes • nautical miles), tonnes CO₂/(TEU • nautical miles), tonnes CO₂/(person • nautical miles), etc.

It should be noted that Equation 2 does not give a simple average of EEOI among number of voyage i .

5 Rolling average

Rolling average, when used, can be calculated in a suitable time period, for example one year closest to the end of a voyage for that period, or number of voyages, for example six or ten voyages, which are agreed as statistically relevant to the initial averaging period. The Rolling Average EEOI is then calculated for this period or number of voyages by Equation 2 above.

6 Data

For a voyage or period, e.g., a day, data on fuel consumption/cargo carried and distance sailed in a continuous sailing pattern could be collected as shown in the reporting sheet below.

CO₂ Indicator reporting sheet

NAME AND TYPE OF SHIP						
Voyage or day (i)	Fuel consumption (FC) at sea and in port in tonnes				Voyage or time period data	
	Fuel type ()	Fuel type ()	Fuel type ()		Cargo (m) (tonnes or units)	Distance (D) (NM)
1						
2						
3						

NOTE: For voyages with $m_{\text{cargo}}=0$, it is still necessary to include the fuel used during this voyage in the summation above the line.

7 Conversion from g/tonne-mile to g/tonne-km

The CO₂ indicator may be converted from g/tonne-mile to g/tonne-km by multiplication by 0.54.

8 Example:

A simple example including one ballast voyage, for illustration purpose only, is provided below. The example illustrates the application of the formula based on the data reporting sheet.

NAME AND TYPE OF SHIP						
Voyage or day (i)	Fuel consumption (FC) at sea and in port in tonnes				Voyage or time period data	
	Fuel type (HFO)	Fuel type (LFO)	Fuel type ()		Cargo (m) (tonnes or units)	Distance (D) (NM)
1	20	5			25,000	300
2	20	5			0	300
3	50	10			25,000	750
	10	3			15,000	150

$$EEOI = \frac{100 \times 3.114 + 23 \times 3.151}{(25,000 \times 300) + (0 \times 300) + (25,000 \times 750) + (15,000 \times 150)} = 13.47 \times 10^{-6}$$

unit: tonnes CO₂/(tons • nautical miles)