

To: whom it may concern

Notice on the new requirement for IMO ship fuel consumption data collection system (IMO DCS)

At its eighty-first session, the Marine Environment Protection Committee adopted amendments to MARPOL Annex VI, including amendments to Ship Fuel Oil Consumption Data Collection System (IMO DCS) (resolution MEPC.385(81)) and amendments to 2022 Guidelines for the development of a Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) (resolution MEPC.388(81)). At its eighty-Second session, the Marine Environment Protection Committee adopted guidance on the application of the amendments to Appendix IX of MARPOL Annex VI on inclusion of data on transport work and enhanced granularity in the IMO ship fuel consumption database (IMO DCS) as adopted by resolution MEPC.385(81), aimed to guide ships to collect the data in same granularity in the year 2025.

Summary of amendments:

1. The amendments to MARPOL Annex VI, as annexed to resolution MEPC.385(81), include a revised appendix IX which introduces additional data which shall be collected on ships to which the regulation applies and be reported accordingly. This additional information includes, inter alia, fuel oil consumption per consumer type. These data with enhanced granularity aims to enhance the analysis within the IMO DCS of annual fuel consumption, which will enter into force on 01-August-2025.
2. Aimed to maintain consistent data granularity throughout the calendar year, the resolution MEPC.385(81) gives the interpretation on implementation:
For ships flying the flag of the Administration which implements the amendments early (1 January 2025), the SEEMP should undergo revision and verification, to incorporate a description of the methodology intended for collecting data with enhanced granularity before 1 January 2025, the data will be collected and reported with an enhanced level of granularity throughout the entire year of 2025 and beyond.
For ships flying the flag of the Administration which implements the amendments on the entry into force date (01-August-2025), the SEEMP should undergo revision and

verification, to incorporate a description of the methodology intended for collecting data with enhanced granularity before 1 January 2026, the data will be collected with the existing level of granularity throughout the entire year of 2025 and, the data will be collected and reported with the enhanced level of granularity from 1 January 2026 and beyond.

3. The amendments to the 2022 Guidelines for the development of a Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP), enhances the granularity in the IMO Ship Fuel Consumption Database (IMO DCS), including the methodology for collecting data on fuel oil consumption per consumer type, total amount of onshore power supplied and total transport work.

The implementation of amended IMO DCS requirement depends on the flag administration, and as of 05-November-2024, the Panama administration has informed Recognized Organizations that early implementation of amended IMO DCS requirement. **For ships flying the flag of Panama, the SEEMP should undergo revision and verification before 1 January 2025, the data will be collected and reported with an enhanced level of granularity throughout the entire year of 2025 and beyond.** CCS will keep close focus on the information by other flag administrations and update with flexible approach.

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Annex 1: MEPC.385(81)-Amendments to Ship Fuel Oil Consumption Data Collection System (IMO DCS).

Annex 2: MEPC.388(81)-Amendments to 2022 Guidelines for the development of a Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP)