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To: CCS surveyors, relevant shipyards & shipping companies

Notice on Issuance of STATEMENT OF ACCEPTANCE of Equipment for Use on Singapore registered ships

MPA of Singapore issued survey circular No.1/2012 to inform of its revised requirements for the acceptance of equipment for use on Singapore registered vessels. A Statement of Acceptance should be issued by RO authorized by MPA of Singapore after verifying the coincidence of this equipment with the requirements for the acceptance. All details are as follows:

1. APPLICABILITY

This Circular applies to all Singapore registered vessels (including vessels under MODU Code).

2. IMPLEMENT DATE

- 2.1 At initial surveys for the issuance of statutory certificates (including upon vessel's delivery, change of class and change of flag)
- 2.2 For Singapore registered ships which the building contract is placed before September 1, 2012, or in the absence of a building contract, the keel of which is laid or which is at a similar stage of construction before September 1, 2012, to be implemented upon completion of construction as far as practicable, but not later than at the first scheduled intermediate or renewal statutory survey, whichever occurs earlier.

3. Validity of Statement of Acceptance

The validity of Statement of Acceptance should be harmonized with the validity of the statutory certificates.

4. Issuance of Statement of Acceptance

The Statement of Acceptance should be issued with immediate effect after all statutory equipment which use on Singapore registered vessels and need to be verified have complied with the requirements of acceptance.

5. Requirements of statutory equipment for use on Singapore registered vessels

- 5.1 the statutory equipment used on Singapore registered ships wherever it is stipulated in International Conventions to be “**approved by the Administration**”, “**approved to the satisfaction of the Administration**” or “**in compliance with**” a specified IMO standard, specification or guideline, should be verified the coincidence of these equipment with the requirements for the acceptance. The detail list of equipment need to be verified refers to *List of Certification requirements for statutory marine* in *Part 1/Chapter 3/Appendix 2* of *CCS’s Rules for classification of sea-going steel ships*.
- 5.2 The statutory equipment type-approved and fully certificated to the applicable IMO Requirements¹ by any of the 9 Classification Societies (CS)² authorized by MPA Singapore is to be acceptable for use on board Singapore registered ships. Such approved equipment should bear the marking of the RO that carried out the type approval. The marking should be traceable to the certification and test documentation for the equipment. Or,
- 5.3 The statutory equipment type-approved by any of the 9 Classification Societies authorized by MPA Singapore in accordance with the EC MED process and marked accordingly is to be acceptable for use on board Singapore registered ships.
- 5.4 Statutory equipment complied with 5.2、 5.3 is acceptable for use on board Singapore registered ships regardless of which RO had conducted the survey and issued the statutory certificates.
- 5.5 For statutory equipment that is not approved in accordance with 5.2, 5.3, full detailed documentation(certificates and testing reports, etc.) and RO’s recommendation are to be submitted by the RO to MPA Singapore for granting acceptance on a case by case basis. In the absence of any proper documentation, such equipment will not be accepted for use on Singapore registered ships, excepting as otherwise provided for in 5.6.
- 5.6 For statutory equipment that is already provided on board before September 1, 2012, and which does not have approval marking and/or certification, the equipment is acceptable for continued use on board Singapore registered ships, provided:
- a. The RO issuing the statutory certificates assesses and deems so. In principal this Society only accept the products bearing type approval certificates issued by a State which is Party to the SOLAS Convention and duly refer to relevant IMO performance standards, otherwise the survey units shall report to CCS Headquarters for further directions; and
 - b. The equipment is in good and working condition.
- If the equipment is subsequently needed to be replaced, it should be replaced with equipment in accordance with 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5.

1 9 ROs authorized by MPA Singapore: ABS, BV, CCS, DNV, GL, KR, LR, NK, RINA

2 These include the Convention regulations, associated Codes, specifications, performance standards and guidelines developed by the IMO.

5.7 Although the Administration has above mentioned requirements 5.2 to 5.6, taking into consideration that most of statutory equipment are also related to class, the equipment approved by this Society shall take priority over other ROs for the purpose of class maintaining. In case there are difficulties to purchase equipment approved by this Society, the shipyard/ship owner may provide writing statement to CCS survey unit, and CCS headquarters may accept such arrangement as stated in 5.2 to 5.6 on a case by case basis.

6. Matters need attention in survey

- 6.1 Statement of Acceptance (Form SOC(SGP-SOA)) has been added into the SSMIS.
- 6.2 For Singapore registered ships in operation which the building contract is placed before September 1, 2012, or in the absence of a building contract, the keel of which is laid or which is at a similar stage of construction before September 1, 2012, which is current under construction, change of class or change of flag to Singapore, the Statement of Acceptance is to be issued upon completion of construction or at initial surveys for the issuance of statutory certificates as far as practicable. In case there is difficulty to do so, the survey unit responsible for new building shall give the statutory memorandum “The Statement of Acceptance should be issued not later than at the first scheduled intermediate or renewal statutory survey, whichever occurs earlier.” For ships already in-service, the above mentioned statutory memorandum was given in batches by CCS headquarters. The statutory memorandum should be deleted after issuance of Statement of Acceptance and described the detail in the report RA. The sample of RA refers to annex 2.
- 6.3 For Singapore registered ships which the building contract is placed on and after September 1, 2012, or in the absence of a building contract, the keel of which is laid or which is at a similar stage of construction on and after September 1, 2012, Statement of Acceptance should be issued at initial surveys for the issuance of statutory certificates and described the detail in the report RA. The sample of RA refers to annex 2.
- 6.4 For statutory equipment complied with 5.5, Table of statutory equipment need to be granted for acceptance by MPA Singapore on a case by case basis (See annex 1), should be filled and all certificates/test reports of equipment should be attached with the table in order of equipment listed in the table to apply to MPA Singapore with granting acceptance on a case by case basis through classed ship in service department of CCS headquarter.
- 6.5 Surveyors should carry out the survey to verify the statutory equipment added or replaced when carry out the statutory survey (including the occasional survey) after first issuance of Statement of Acceptance. The Statement of Acceptance shall be re-issued for the renewal survey, and for other surveys the Statement of Acceptance may be re-issued when necessary.
- 6.6 The Statement of Acceptance should be scanned as PDF and send to MPA Singapore through

classed ship in service department of CCS headquarter as soon as possible after issuance.

- 6.7 The statutory equipment listed in annex 1-8 of MEPC.5/Circ.9 dated 31-August-2005 have been accepted by MPA Singapore for use on board Singapore registered ships.
7. The requirement stated in this Circular substitute any relevant provisions previously issued by the Administration.

According to the requirements of Singapore administration above, the report for additional statutory requirements (Form SFc(SGP)) was renewed with new revision of Ver.1.1 201208. The surveyors to CCS should pay attention to the requirements above when carry out the statutory surveys to Singapore registered ships.

Hereby notify the above

This Circular is published on CCS website (www.ccs.org.cn) and is to be forwarded by CCS branches to relevant shipping companies in relevance to their business area.

- Attachment: 1. Survey Circular No.1/2012 of MPA of Singapore (total pages: 2)
2. Sample Statement of Acceptance (total pages: 1)

Please contact Ship Business Operation Dept. of the Headquarters in case of any unclarity during the implementation of this Circular.

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Annex 1

**Table of Statutory Equipment Need to be Granted for Acceptance by MPA Singapore
on a Case by Case Basis**

Ship Name:

IMO No.:

Class No.:

Job No.:

[illegible]

Issue at: _____

Issue on: _____

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* Product certificates/test reports attached with this table.

REPORT OF SURVEY

No.:

Name of Ship		Class No.	
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Alteration(s)	☐	Renewal(s)	☐	Damage(s) and Repair(s)	☐	Others	☒
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1.Others(Statutory)

The survey carried out according to the requirements of Survey Circular No.1/2012 of Singapore administration to verify that statutory equipment placed onboard vessel and listed in the List of Certification requirements for statutory marine in Part 1/Chapter 3/Appendix 2 of CCS's Rules for classification of sea-going steel ships comply with the requirements for the acceptance.

(If there are equipment need to be granted for acceptance by Singapore administration on a case by case basis, following description should be included)

A approval letter has been issued by MPA Singapore for all equipment need to be granted for acceptance by Singapore administration on a case by case basis which full detailed documentation (certificates and testing reports) and CCS's recommendation have been submitted to MPA Singapore.

The Statement of Acceptance, Form SOC(SGP-SOA), for the caption vessel issued accordingly.

Place _____

Date _____

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Your Ref : —

Date : 01-June-2012

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BUREAU VERITAS (BV)
CHINA CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY (CCS)
DET NORSKE VERITAS (DNV)
GERMANISCHER LLOYD (GL)
KOREAN REGISTER OF SHIPPING (KR)
LLOYD'S REGISTER ASIA (LR)
NIPPON KAIJI KYOKAI (NK)
REGISTRO ITALIANO NAVALE (RINA)

SURVEY CIRCULAR No. 1/2012

ACCEPTANCE OF EQUIPMENT FOR USE ON SINGAPORE REGISTERED SHIPS

1. In view of a recent intervention by Port State Control authority on board a Singapore registered vessel on which the type-approval for survival craft was found to be not in compliance with Convention requirements, and in order to avert similar occurrences, this circular is to inform of our revised requirements for the acceptance of equipment for use on Singapore registered vessels.

2. Wherever it is stipulated in International Conventions for equipment placed onboard Convention ships to be **“approved by the Administration”**, **“approved to the satisfaction of the Administration”** or **“in compliance with”** a specified IMO standard, specification or guideline, the equipment is to be considered acceptable for use on board Singapore registered ships if:

a. The equipment is type-approved and fully certificated to the applicable IMO requirements* by any of the 9 Recognised Organisations (ROs) authorized by MPA Singapore namely the Classification Society (CS) of ABS, BV, CCS, DNV, GL, KR, LR, NK, and RINA. Such approved equipment shall bear the marking of the RO that carried out the type approval. The marking shall be traceable to the certification and test documentation for the equipment.

or,

b. The equipment is type-approved by any of the 9 ROs authorized by MPA Singapore in accordance with the EC MED process and marked accordingly.

* These include the Convention regulations, associated Codes, specifications, performance standards and guidelines developed by the IMO.

3. Equipment that is type-approved by any of the 9 ROs authorized by MPA Singapore in accordance with paragraph 2, regardless of which RO had conducted the survey and issued the statutory certificates, is acceptable for use on board Singapore registered ships.

4. For equipment that is not approved in accordance with paragraph 2, acceptance is to be granted by MPA Singapore on a case by case basis. Full detailed documentation (certificates and testing reports, etc.) and the RO's recommendation are to be submitted by the RO to MPA for review and consideration for acceptance. In the absence of any proper documentation, such equipment will not be accepted for use on Singapore registered ships, excepting as otherwise provided for in paragraph 5.

5. For equipment that is already provided on board before 01-September-2012 and which does not have approval marking and/or certification, the equipment is considered acceptable for continued use on board provided:

- a. the RO issuing the statutory certificates assesses and deems so; and,
- b. the equipment is in good and working condition.

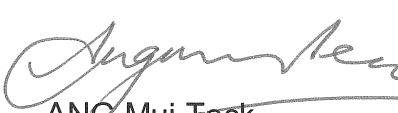
If the equipment is subsequently needed to be replaced, it shall be replaced with equipment in accordance with paragraphs 2, 3 and 4.

6. The RO is required to issue a statement to the vessel to the effect that the equipment on the basis of paragraphs 2, 3, 4 and 5, is deemed acceptable by MPA Singapore upon confirmation by the RO for use on board the ship. A sample Statement of Acceptance is attached.

7. The Statement of Acceptance shall be issued:

- a. with immediate effect, at initial surveys for the issuance of statutory certificates (including upon vessel's delivery, change of class and change of flag);
- b. for Singapore registered ships for which the building contract is placed before 01-September-2012, or in the absence of a building contract, the keel of which is laid or which is at a similar stage of construction before 01-September-2012, not later than at the first scheduled intermediate or renewal statutory survey, whichever occurs earlier;
and,
- c. with a validity that is to be harmonised with the validity of the statutory certificates.

8. This circular supersedes all previous correspondence issued by MPA Singapore regarding acceptance of equipment for use on Singapore registered ships.


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CHINA CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY

No. _____

STATEMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

Type-approved Equipment for Singapore Registered Ships

Issued under the Authority of the Government of Singapore

By China Classification Society

Name of vessel: _____

Class No.: _____

Official No.: _____ IMO No.: _____

Type of vessel: _____ Date of building contract (if any): _____

Keel Laid Date: _____ Gross Tonnage: _____

This is to confirm that the equipment on board the above-named vessel is considered as acceptable on the basis that:

1. The equipment is type-approved and fully certificated to the applicable IMO requirements ☐ (specification, performance standard, guideline, associated Code) by any of 9 ROs (Recognized Organizations) authorized by MPA Singapore, namely the Classification Society of
- AMERICAN BUREAU OF SHIPPING (ABS)
 - BUREAU VERITAS (BV)
 - CHINA CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY (CCS)
 - DET NORSKE VERITAS (DNV)
 - GERMANISCHER LLOYD (GL)
 - KOREAN REGISTER OF SHIPPING (KR)
 - LLOYD'S REGISTER ASIA (LR)
 - NIPPON KAIJI KYOKAI (NK)
 - REGISTRO ITALIANO NAVALE (RINA)

The approved equipment shall bear the marking of the RO that carried out the type approval. The marking shall be traceable to the certification and test documentation for the equipment.

2. The equipment is type-approved in accordance with the EC MED process and marked accordingly by ☐ any of the 9 ROs authorized by MPA Singapore.
3. Equipment with approval/certification other than those approved in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 ☐ is provided with a Letter of Approval issued by the Singapore Administration.
4. Other existing equipment already provided on board before 01-September-2012 and which does not ☐ have approval marking and/or certification has been :
- i. assessed and deemed to be acceptable for continued use on board by this Class Society; and,
 - ii. found to be in good and working condition.

If the equipment is subsequently needed to be replaced, it shall be replaced with equipment in accordance with paragraph 1 or paragraph 2 or paragraph 3.

All existing equipment is deemed to have been found acceptable to this Class Society, upon the issuance of the relevant statutory certificates.

This Statement is valid until (to be harmonized with validity of statutory certificates) _____.

Issued at: _____

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Issued on: _____ Surveyor to CHINA CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY