

Notice on Designated Ports/Terminals at Which Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) Emissions are Regulated from the Administration of the Netherlands and the Republic of Korea

All relevant shipping companies:

According to 1 and 5 of Reg.15 of MARPOL Annex VI, after 3 years since the effective date of a designated port or terminal which has installed vapour emission control systems, all tankers calling at the port or terminal should be provided with a vapour emission collection system approved by the Administration taking into account the safety standards (MSC/Circ.585) for such systems developed IMO, and should use this system during the loading of relevant cargoes.

On December 21, 2011, IMO issued MEPC.1/Circ.774 "INFORMATION ON DESIGNATED PORTS AT WHICH VOC EMISSIONS ARE REQUIRED". It was notified that in the above –mentioned circular, the Netherlands and the Republic of Korea designated the ports for the emission control of VOCs, defined the size of tankers to be controlled, the cargoes requiring vapour emission control systems and the effective date of such control. Please be aware that the due date of relevant ports in the Republic of Korea is on 5 May 2012.

Ships not fitted with a vapour emission collection system approved by the Administration taking into account the safety standards (MSC/Circ.585) for such systems developed IMO, in order to meet the requirements of MEPC.1/Circ.774, should get touch with Plan Approval Center of this Society and apply for approval of relevant plans and documents of vapour emission control systems. After satisfactory approval, an additional IAPP survey for vapour emission control system will be applied and carried out, then the IAPP certificate and its supplement will be reissued by site surveyors.

This Classification Information 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.

Note: To define whether relevant VOCs control system is confirmed by CCS, please refer to 2.4 of Supplement-Form AIR in IAPP Certificate.

Annex 1: MEPC.1/Circ.774—Information on Designated Ports at Which VOC Emissions are Required

Hereby notify the above.

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**INFORMATION ON DESIGNATED PORTS AT WHICH
VOC EMISSIONS ARE REGULATED**

**Communication received from the Administrations of
the Netherlands and the Republic of Korea**

1 In accordance with the provisions of regulation 15.4 of MARPOL Annex VI, communications have been received from the Administrations of the Netherlands and the Republic of Korea concerning designated ports or terminals at which volatile organic compounds (VOCs) emissions from tankers are regulated under regulation 15 of MARPOL Annex VI.

2 The details of the aforementioned communications have been uploaded to the IMO GISIS module under MARPOL Annex VI, and a summary of these is annexed hereto for circulation.

3 Member Governments are invited to bring this circular to the attention of their Administrations, relevant shipping organizations, recognized organizations, shipping companies and other stakeholders, and encourage them to take action as appropriate.

ANNEX

DESIGNATED PORTS AT WHICH VOC EMISSIONS ARE REGULATED

NAME OF PORTS, TERMINAL/FACILITY		SIZE OF TANKERS	CARGOES REQUIRING VAPOUR EMISSION CONTROL SYSTEMS	EFFECTIVE DATE
The Netherlands				
Amsterdam	All terminals	All sizes	Cargoes with VOC, with the exception of methane, with a vapour pressure of 1 kPa (10 mbar) or more at a temperature of 293.15 K (20°C) or such cargoes with an equal volatility of 10 mbar	9 November 2011
Rotterdam	Botlek Tank Terminal, Rubis, ETT, Argos	All sizes	Cargoes with VOC, with a vapour pressure of 1 kPa (10 mbar) or more at a temperature of 293.15 K (20°C). For Rubis only, substances under class LT2 are to be controlled	9 November 2011
Moerdijk	Afval Stoffen Terminal Moerdijk ATM, Shell Chemie Moerdijk, Den Hartoch Moerdijk bv	All sizes	Cargoes with VOC, smelling products and ADR Class 3 and 6	9 November 2011
Terneuzen	Dow Benelux BV Terneuzen, Oiltanking Terneuzen BV.	100,000 GT and less	Cargoes with VOC	9 November 2011
Groningen	VOPAK	All sizes	Cargoes with VOC, with the exception of methane, with a vapour pressure of 1 kPa (10 mbar) or more at a temperature of 293.15 K (20°C) or such cargoes with an equal volatility of 10 mbar	1 July 2012
Vlissingen	Zeeland refinery	9,000 GT and above	Cargoes with VOC	9 November 2011
The Republic of Korea				
Busan Incheon Pyeongtaek/Dangjin Ulsan Yeosu Kwangyang		400 GT and above	Crude oil Gasoline Naphtha	20 May 2009
Daesan		400 GT and above	Crude oil Gasoline Naphtha	20 May 2015