

Notice on IMO has designated the North American Emission Control Area for NO_x, SO_x and particulate matter under MARPOL Annex VI

All relevant shipping companies:

On 26 March 2010, the IMO has adopted the resolution MEPC.190(60), the amendments to MARPOL Annex VI to designate the North American Emission Control Area for NO_x, SO_x and particulate matter. The amendments have come into force on 1 August 2011.

According to Reg.14.7 of Annex VI, MARPOL, the one-year grace period (1 August 2011-1 August 2012) in North American Emission Control Area will expire soon. PSCs of the United States, Canada will intensify inspections at that time, and all applicable vessels engaging in North American Emission Control Area should meet relevant requirements of Annex VI by then. Shipping companies are informed to act accordingly in advance. Please refer to CCS Circular 128 for relevant requirements of MEPC.190(60) and this Society.

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