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To: Owners/Operators, Company Security Officers, Legal Representatives of Panamanian Flagged Vessels, Panamanian Merchant Marine Consulates and Recognized Organizations (ROs).

Subject: Recognized Organizations authorized for the issuance of the Polar Ship Certificate under the provisions of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 and the International Convention for the Prevention of Maritime Pollution.

Reference: Resolution 106-OMI-180-DGMM and Resolution 106-OMI-181-DGMM both of October 25, 2016, this Administration adopted the amendments to MARPOL and SOLAS respectively by which the The International Code for Ships Operating in Polar Waters is made mandatory.

1. PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this circular is to inform all of our users and clients that by means of Resolution No. 106-86-DGMM of November 9, 2016 the following Organizations, members of the International Association of Classification Societies have been approved to issue the Polar Ship Certificate:

1. AMERICAN BUREAU OF SHIPPING (ABS)
2. BUREAU VERITAS (BV)
3. CHINA CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY (CCS)
4. DNV GL
5. INDIAN REGISTER OF SHIPPING (IRS)
6. KOREAN REGISTER OF SHIPPING (KRS)
7. LLOYD'S REGISTER GROUP LIMITED (LR)
8. NIPPON KAIJI KYOKAI (NKK)
9. POLSKI REJESTR STATKÓW (PRS)
10. RINA SERVICES S.p.A. (RINA)
11. RUSSIAN MARITIME REGISTER OF SHIPPING (RS)
12. TURK LOYDU (TL)

1.2 The issuance of the Polar Ship Certificate is subject to the dispositions of Resolution J.D. No. 018-2005 of November 24, 2005 (see MMC-324).

2. All other Organizations are invited to apply for the authorization to issue this certificate, as established in Resolution J.D. 019-2005 of November 24, 2005.

November 2017 – Inclusion of TURK LOYDU
July 2017: Correction of “DNV-GL AS (DNV)” to ” DNV GL”
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