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ENGINEERING CIRCULAR NO. 02 OF 2019

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Subject: Compliance with the provisions of MARPOL Annex VI, Regulation 14

Note: This circular supersedes Engineering Circular 5 of 2018 dated 14th December 2018.

- 1) **Purpose:** The aim of this circular is to provide guidance to stakeholders for a consistent and smooth implementation towards compliance with the Global Sulphur Cap effective from **1st January 2020**. The following issues are covered by this circular:
- Preparation of a risk-based ship implementation plan and demonstrating compliance to requirements of MARPOL, Annex VI provisions by ship owners/operators.
 - Prohibition on the carriage of non-compliant fuel oil for combustion purposes for propulsion or operation on board a ship except for those vessels equipped with an Exhaust Gas Cleaning System (EGCS, otherwise known as a scrubber) and having been issued with a revised supplement in line with MEPC.305(73) prior to **1 March 2020**.
 - Procedure to be followed by an Indian Ship, if carrying non-compliant fuel oil on-board due to non-availability of compliant fuel oil or otherwise.
 - Procedure to be followed when the Exhaust Gas Scrubber mal-functions on an Indian Ship.
 - The Port State Control procedures to be adopted by Indian PSCO while conducting inspections of foreign ships for compliance to 0.5% Sulphur Cap requirements.
 - Procedure for dealing with foreign ships coming to Indian ports with non-compliant fuel on-board because of non-availability of compliant fuel or otherwise.
 - Procedure to handle unexpected issues related to the operation of an EGCS as a Port State and Flag State.
 - Instructions to approved Bunker Suppliers.
- 2) **Application:** This circular is applicable to:
- All seagoing Indian ships registered under Merchant Shipping Act, 1958.
 - All bunker suppliers registered with DG Shipping, GOI in accordance with Annex VI, Regulation 18 of MARPOL.
 - All foreign flag-vessels visiting Indian waters.