REGULATIONS FOR THE ISSUE OF STATUTORY CERTIFICATES

2017 AMENDMENT NO.2

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AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATIONS FOR THE ISSUE OF STATUTORY CERTIFICATES

"Regulations for the issue of statutory certificates" has been partly amended as follows:

Chapter 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1.1 has been amended as follows.

1.1 General

<u>1</u> NIPPON KAIJI KYOKAI (hereinafter referred to as "the Society") will, when requested, issue certificates in accordance with currently valid International Conventions or International Codes (hereinafter referred to as "the Conventions, etc.") for ships classed or intended to be classed with the Society, or installations registered or intended to be registered in the Society, following the provisions specified in these Regulations.

Statutory certificates will be issued by the Society under the authority of the flag state of the ship. When specifically requested, the Society may issue statutory certificates to ships not classed with the Society mutatis mutandis in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.

- 2 Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1, the Society may decide not to issue certificates or may, without prejudice to the powers of the flag state, invalidate certificates issued by the Society and require the shipowner to return them in cases where in the reasonable judgement of the Society a particular circumstance will expose the Society or ships classed with the Society to loss of social credibility or other adverse effects, or such issuance of certificates is considered not appropriate for other reasons. For instance, the following circumstances are included:
- (1) the Society decides such issuance of certificates may expose the Society to sanction, prohibition or restriction imposed by a State, Supranational or International Governmental Organization or may conflict with applicable laws or regulations; or
- (2) the Society suspects the ship or the installations of not being in continued compliance with the Conventions, etc., or not being properly maintained and operated by the shipowner, and subsequently verifies its suspicions through surveys conducted to detect any non-compliance with the Conventions, etc.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICATION

1. The effective date of the amendments is 11 December 2017