## **Amendment of Effective Date and Application**

## **Amended Rules**

Amendment to the Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships (Rule No. 19 dated 15 April 2009)

## **Reason for Amendment**

ClassNK partly amended Part CSR-T of the Rules and published Rule No.19 on 15 April 2009 based on IACS CSR for Double Hull Oil Tankers, July 2008 "Rule Change Notice No.1" (hereinafter referred to as RCN1 of IACS Tanker CSR) that was adopted by IACS in January of 2009. The amendments to Part CSR-T were to be applied to ships contracted for construction on or after 1 July 2009.

With regard to the implementation of RCN1 of IACS Tanker CSR, IACS received a strong request from an international industry organization to either reconsider the provision or at least to provide further explanation of the technical background regarding the amendments related to the minimum thickness requirements of bottom and side shell plates included in RCN1. In response to this, IACS extraordinarily decided on 29 June 2009 to carry out a necessary technical study in order to further review the relevant provision and to postpone its implementation until after this technical study is completed.

Accordingly, the effective date of the amendment to Part CSR-T of the Rules for RCN1 of IACS Tanker CSR has been postponed in accordance with IACS' decision.

## **Outline of Amendment**

Effective date and application have been amended.