Subject

Shipboard Marine Pollution Emergency Plan for Noxious Liquid Substances (SMPEP for NLS) Part 2



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To whom it may concern

As informed previously by ClassNK Technical Information No. 390 issued on 28 December 2000, every ship of 150 gross tonnage and above certified to carry noxious substances in bulk is required under Reg. 16 of Annex II to MARPOL73/78 to carry on a Shipboard Marine Pollution Emergency Plan for noxious liquid substances (hereafter referred to as Plan) approved by the Administration not later than 1 January 2003.

According to our records, although the deadline of the implementation 1 January 2003 is coming closer, a number of ships have not yet carried the Plan onboard. The shipowners of these ships are requested to take a prompt action to prepare the Plan so that the approved Plan could be placed onboard by the date of implementation. The survey to confirm the approved Plan placed onboard is also required by that date.

Please refer to the updated information in the attachment.

For any questions about the subject, please do not hesitate to contact the Machinery Department or Survey Department.

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Attachment:

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Attachment 1 to ClassNK Technical Information No. TEC-0492

Shipboard Marine Pollution Emergency Plan for Noxious Liquid Substances (SMPEP for NLS)

1. Ships to carry SMPEP for NLS

Every ship of 150 gross tonnage and above certified to carry noxious liquid substances in bulk Please note that the ships other than chemical tankers, which have the "International Pollution Prevention Certificate for the Carriage of Noxious Liquid" are also required to carry this plan onboard.

2. Contents of SMPEP for NLS

When developing SMPEP for NLS, please refer to "Rules and Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Marine Pollution Prevention Instructions of Ships and "The Guidelines for the Development of Shipboard Marine Pollution Emergency Plans for Oil and/or Noxious Liquid Substances, MEPC Res. 85 (44)".

For your information, a model plan to assist owners and operators in preparing SMPEP has been developed by International Chamber of Shipping (ICS). This model plan is available on request via national shipowners' associations or by accessing the following website of ICS:

http://www.marisec.org/resources/SMPEP.htm

SMPEP for NLS may be combined with Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plans (SOPEP) required under Reg. 26 of Annex I. In this case, the title of such a plan shall be "Shipboard Marine Pollution Emergency Plans" (SMPEP).

- 3. Plan Approval and Survey
 - (1) For ships registered in Japanese Government, NK is authorized to conduct approval of the Plan and the survey that it is carried on board under the Government's authorisation.
 - (2) For ships flying the following flags, NK is authorized to conduct approval of the Plan and the survey that it is carried on board as a part of NLS survey on behalf of the Government. Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Bolivia, Brunei, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Cayman Island(*), Cyprus, Denmark, Equatorial Guinea, Georgia, Greece, Hong Kong, Iceland, Kuwait, Liberia, Luxembourg, Marshall Is., Panama, Philippines, Seychelles, Singapore, St. Vincent and Grenadines, Switzerland, Turkey, Vanuatu (*): Authorisation is given on a ship by ship basis.
 - (3) For ships flying the flag other than the above mentioned, the authorization is to be confirmed with each Government.

4. Application of approval

You are requested to submit 2 copies of the plan to Machinery Department and an application with the following information:

- (1) Applicant's Signature, Name of Company, Address, Tel & Fax No.
- (2) Name of ship, Class No.

- (3) Date and Place of Survey (as far as possible)
- (4) Address where approved plans should be returned
- (5) Name and Address of Company responsible to fees
- 5. Other information

For information to the shipowners, the following Note has been set up on her Survey Status of all ships yet to carry the plan.

Note: The approved Shipboard Marine Pollution Emergency Plan for noxious liquid substances to be placed on board by 1 January 2003.