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**MERCHANT MARINE CIRCULAR MMC-348**

**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 Provisional Certificate under the International Ballast Water Management Convention, 2004.**

**Reference: Law No. 41 of September 12, 2016.  
Resolution J.D. 019-2005 of November 24, 2005.**

**1. PURPOSE**

**1.1** The purpose of this circular is to inform all of our users and clients that under an expedite process scheme the following Recognized Organizations have been approved to issue the Provisional Certificate regarding the **International Ballast Water Management Convention, 2004**

1. AMERICAN BUREAU OF SHIPPING
2. BUREAU VERITAS
3. CHINA CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY
4. CR CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY
5. CROATIAN REGISTER OF SHIPPING
6. DNV GL
7. DROMON BUREAU OF SHIPPING
8. EMIRATES CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY (TASNEEF) L.L.C.
9. INDIAN REGISTER OF SHIPPING
10. INTERMARITIME CERTIFICATION SERVICES, S.A.
11. INTERNATIONAL NAVAL SURVEYS BUREAU, S.A.
12. INTERNATIONAL REGISTER OF SHIPPING (PANAMA) INC.
13. ISTHMUS BUREAU OF SHIPPING, S.A.
14. KOREAN REGISTER OF SHIPPING
15. LLOYD'S REGISTER GROUP LIMITED
16. MACOSNAR CORPORATION
17. NATIONAL SHIPPING ADJUSTER, INC.
18. NIPPON KAIJI KYOKAI
19. NEW UNITED (INT'L) MARINE SERVICES LIMITED
20. OVERSEAS MARINE CERTIFICATION SERVICES
21. PANAMA MARITIME DOCUMENTATION SERVICES, INC.
22. PANAMA SHIPPING REGISTRAR INC.
23. PHOENIX REGISTER OF SHIPPING, S.A.
24. POLSKI REJESTR STATKÓW S.A.

25. QUALITAS REGISTER OF SHIPPING, S.A
26. RINA SERVICES S.P.A.
27. RUSSIAN MARITIME REGISTER OF SHIPPING
28. TURK LOYDU

2. All other Organizations are invited to apply for the authorization to issue this provisional certificate, as established in Resolution J.D. 019-2005 of November 24, 2005.
3. Endorsement of corresponding Annual or Intermediate Surveys shall be carried out by the Recognized Organization duly approved to do so, after satisfactory completion of the same, as it is required by the Convention (Regulation E-1)
4. Annual and Intermediate endorsements of the IBWMC by the Recognized Organizations are subject to the fees indicated in our Resolution J.D. 002-2010 dated February 3, dated 2010 (refer to MMC-324 regarding endorsements of technical certificates).

***March 2020 – Suspension of Panama Classification Bureau***

***June 2019 – Change of Polski Rejestr Statków to Polski Rejestr Statków S.A.***

***January 2019 – Exclusion of HELLENIC REGISTER OF SHIPPING due to cessation of operations.***

***Inclusion of PANAMA CLASSIFICATION BUREAU, INC.***

***October 2018 – Inclusion of NEW UNITED (INT’L) MARINE SERVICES LIMITED and EMIRATES CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY (TASNEEF) L.L.C.***

***October 2018 – Deletion of July 2018 amendments due to information duplicity.***

***July 2018 – New paragraphs 3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 3.4.1 and 4 have been added***

***July 2018 – Amendment of paragraph 3.1 a, b, c, inclusion of paragraph 3.2, change of numeration of paragraph 3.3 and 3.4.***

***May 2018 – Inclusion of POLSKI REJESTR STATKOW***

***Inclusion of paragraph 3.1, 3.2, 3.3***

***November 2017 – Inclusion of DROMON BUREAU OF SHIPPING***

***November 2017 – Inclusion of TURK LOYDU***

***September 2017 – Inclusion of NATIONAL SHIPPING ADJUSTERS***

***August 2017 – Inclusion of HELLENIC REGISTER OF SHIPPING***

***August 2017 – Inclusion of QUALITAS REGISTER OF SHIPPING***

***July 2017 Correction of “DNV GL AS” for “DNV GL”***

***June, 2017 – Inclusion of OVERSEAS MARINE CERTIFICATION SERVICES***

***May, 2017 – Inclusion of INTERMARITIME CERTIFICATION SERVICES, S.A.***

***March, 2017***

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