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### Shipping Information Notice – 061 – Amendments to the Ballast Water Management Convention

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To: Ship owners, Operators, Managers, DPA's

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#### References:

This SIN remind ship owners, operators, managers of the changes adopted by IMO Maritime Environmental Protection Committee during its 72<sup>nd</sup> Session (MEPC 72) in relation to the Ballast Water Management (BWM) Convention. The amendments will come into force on 13 October 2019.

The relevant amendments are as follows

1. Amendments to regulation B-3 – Implementation of D-2 standard to existing ships (IMO Resolutions MEPC. 297(72) and MEPC.298(72));
2. Amendment to Regulations E-1 and E-5 of the BWM Convention (Resolution MEPC.299(72))
3. BWM.2/Circ.66 – Unified interpretation relating to the International Ballast Water Management Certificate;
4. Resolution MEPC. 296(72) and MEPC. 300(72) – Introduction of Ballast Water Management Systems (BWMS) Code;
5. BWM.2/Circ.33/Rev.1 – Revised guidance on scaling of ballast water management systems;
6. BWM.2/Circ.43/Rev.1 – Revised guidance for Administrations on the type approval process for ballast water management systems.

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