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**Amendments to MARPOL Annex VI**

**(ECAs and required EEDI for ro-ro cargo ships and ro-ro passenger ships)**

THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 38(a) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Marine Environment Protection Committee conferred upon it by international conventions for the prevention and control of marine pollution from ships,

NOTING article 16 of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocols of 1978 and 1997 relating thereto (MARPOL), which specifies the amendment procedure and confers upon the appropriate body of the Organization the function of considering amendments thereto for adoption by the Parties,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its seventy-second session, proposed amendments to MARPOL Annex VI concerning ECAs and the required EEDI for ro-ro cargo ships and ro-ro passenger ships,

1 ADOPTS, in accordance with article 16(2)(d) of MARPOL, amendments to MARPOL Annex VI, the text of which is set out in the annex to the present resolution;

2 DETERMINES, in accordance with article 16(2)(f)(iii) of MARPOL, that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 March 2019 unless prior to that date, not less than one third of the Parties or Parties the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant fleet, have communicated to the Organization their objection to the amendments;

3 INVITES the Parties to note that, in accordance with article 16(2)(g)(ii) of MARPOL, the said amendments shall enter into force on 1 September 2019 upon their acceptance in accordance with paragraph 2 above;

4 INVITES FURTHER the Parties to consider the application of the aforesaid amendments to regulation 21 of Annex VI of MARPOL concerning new parameters for determination of reference values of the EEDI to ships entitled to fly their flag as soon as possible, prior to entry into force;

5 REQUESTS the Secretary-General, for the purposes of article 16(2)(e) of MARPOL, to transmit certified copies of the present resolution and the text of the amendments contained in the annex to all Parties to MARPOL;

6 REQUESTS FURTHER the Secretary-General to transmit copies of the present resolution and its annex to Members of the Organization which are not Parties to MARPOL.

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**Regulation 13 – Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)**

1 In paragraph 5.3, the words "an emission control area designated under paragraph 6 of this regulation" are replaced with the words "a NO<sub>x</sub> Tier III emission control area".

**Regulation 21 - Required EEDI**

2 In table 2 (Parameters for determination of reference values for the different ship types) of paragraph 3, rows 2.34 and 2.35 for ro-ro cargo ships and ro-ro passenger ships are replaced by the following:

2.34 Ro-ro cargo ship	1405.15	DWT of the ship	0.498
	1686.17*	DWT of the ship where DWT ≤ 17,000* 17,000 where DWT > 17,000*	
2.35 Ro-ro passenger ship	752.16	DWT of the ship	0.381
	902.59*	DWT of the ship where DWT ≤ 10,000* 10,000 where DWT > 10,000*	

\* to be used from phase 2 and thereafter.

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