Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH Code)

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Supplement

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Amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH Code) have been adopted by the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) and the Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) by resolutions MEPC.303(72) and MSC.446(99) on 13 April 2018 and 24 May 2018, respectively. These amendments enter into force on 1 January 2020.

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Appendix

Model form of Certificate of Fitness for the Carriage of Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk

- 1 A new paragraph 6 is inserted as follows:
- "6 That the loading and stability manuals required by paragraph 2.2.1.1 of the Code have been supplied to the ship in an approved form."
- 2 The existing paragraph 6 is renumbered as paragraph 7 and its text is replaced by the following:
- "7 That the ship must be loaded:
 - .1* only in accordance with loading conditions verified compliant with intact and damage stability requirements using the approved stability instrument fitted in accordance with paragraph 2.2.1.2 of the Code;
 - .2* where a waiver permitted by paragraph 2.2.1.3 of the Code is granted and the approved stability instrument required by paragraph 2.2.1.2 of the Code is not fitted, loading should be made in accordance with one or more of the following approved methods:
 - in accordance with the loading conditions provided in the approved loading and stability manuals referred to in 6 above; or
 - (ii)* in accordance with loading conditions verified remotely using an approved means; or
 - (iii)* in accordance with a loading condition which lies within an approved range of conditions defined

^{*} Delete as appropriate.

- in the approved loading and stability manuals referred to in 6 above: or
- (iv)* in accordance with a loading condition verified using approved critical KG/GM data defined in the approved loading and stability manuals referred to in 6 above; and
- .3* in accordance with the loading limitations appended to this Certificate.

Where it is required to load the ship other than in accordance with the above instruction, then the necessary calculations to justify the proposed loading conditions should be communicated to the certifying Administration who may authorize in writing the adoption of the proposed loading condition.

^{*} Delete as appropriate.

 $^{^\}dagger$ Instead of being incorporated in the Certificate, this text may be appended to the Certificate, if duly signed and stamped."