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Our ref: **Consultation for
Merchant Shipping
(Safety of Navigation) PIR**

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Statutory Post Implementation Review (PIR) of the Merchant Shipping (Safety of Navigation) (Amendment) Regulations 2011 – Request for Information

Dear Consultee,

The Maritime and Coastguard Agency would like your views on the Merchant Shipping (Safety of Navigation) (Amendment) Regulations 2011, that amend the Merchant Shipping (Safety of Navigation) Regulations 2002. There is a statutory requirement to review the implementation of these regulations and we would appreciate your constructive feedback. You have been included in this consultation as a relevant stakeholder. Please find enclosed a short questionnaire attached to this letter; the deadline to reply is Friday 16 September 2016.

Safety of Navigation Regulations

In 2011 the Government implemented an amendment to the 2002 Regulations with the objective of enhancing maritime safety standards by including a number of additional SOLAS V measures.

The Regulations were implemented in order to ensure that the Master's discretion in decision-making is not to be compromised and to stipulate the carriage requirements and necessary performance standards for Long Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT) Equipment.

http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2011/2978/pdfs/uksi_20112978_en.pdf

http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2002/1473/pdfs/uksi_20021473_en.pdf



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Statutory Review Requirement

Additionally the amending 2011 Regulations declared the statutory requirement to review the Regulations to assess that they are still fit for purpose. A report of the review will be published by January 2017 and we would welcome your views to inform this review. We would like you to complete the following questionnaire and provide your views on the regulations. Items included are;

- i) Covering Letter
- ii) Summary of the regulations
- iii) Questionnaire
- iv) Freedom of Information Act Summary

Annex A

- v) PDF copy of The Merchant Shipping (Safety of Navigation) Regulations 2002

Annex B

- vi) PDF copy of The Merchant Shipping (Safety of Navigation) (Amendment) Regulations 2011

Period of stakeholder engagement

The stakeholder engagement exercise will last for a period of 3 weeks and all comments should be provided in preference by email , **no later than Friday 16 September 2016**, to either:

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Information provided will be handled in line with the DfT commitments under the Freedom of Information Act, Environmental Information Regulations and the Data Protection Act – further information is annexed to this letter.

Following completion of this stakeholder engagement exercise the post-implementation reviews for The Merchant Shipping (Safety of Navigation) (Amendment) Regulations 2011, the final version of the review will be published in January 2017 as an annex to a Command Paper.

If you have any questions or concerns about this process please contact the MCA on 0203 817 2422

Yours sincerely,

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