

Statutory review of the Merchant Shipping (Vessel Traffic Monitoring and Reporting Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations 2011

SUMMARY OF CONSULTATION COMMENTS

	DFDS	UKHO*	UK Chamber of Shipping **	Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers	Harwich Haven Authority
1a) How long did it take for your business to understand the legislative changes? What was the hourly cost to your business of doing so?	Instant (nil)	-	-	Not long at all	Immediately understood the changes and there were no cost implications.
1b) Could these costs have been minimised had the regulation been implemented differently?	Nil	-	-	No costs incurred	No costs involved.
1c) Have there been any changes to the ongoing costs related to reporting, as a result of the amendment?	Nil	-	-	No	No
2a) Have any cost savings been realised as a result of the exemptions?	Nil	-	-	No	No
2b) Have any cost increases or savings been passed on to other businesses?	Nil	-	-	N/A	No
2c) Were there any unintended impacts or unexpected costs which have been brought about as a result of the amendment?	Nil	-	-	No	No

(The VTMD amendment required a number of fishing vessels to install and operate AIS)					
3a) Did you already have the appropriate AIS equipment or did you need to install/update AIS to comply with the amendment?	N/A	-	-	N/A	As a designated VTS, already had equipment to monitor AIS.
3b) What were the costs involved in fitting/upgrading your AIS and what are the costs related to the maintenance of the AIS system? How has this been funded?	N/A	-	-	N/A	No cost as AIS equipment already installed as per 3a. Negligible cost for maintenance.
3c) Without this regulation would have AIS installed on your vessel?	N/A	-	-	(blank)	N/A
3d) If this regulation was repealed, would you continue to operate with AIS?	N/A	-	-	(blank)	Yes
4) Have the AIS requirements had a positive impact on safety at sea?	N/A	-	-	Yes	Yes
5) If you consider your business to be a microbusiness, have there been any particular impacts on your business?	N/A	-	-	No	No impacts on business.
6) Are there ways that the regulation could be improved or that the implementation of the regulation could have been done better?	(none)	-	-	Not aware of any	None.

* UKHO email reply: *We've read the attached questionnaire and don't believe we are in a position to provide a useful response as it is not relevant for our organisation.*

** UK Chamber of Shipping email reply: *The UK Chamber of Shipping has no particular comments to make on the Vessel Traffic Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (Amendment) Regulations 2011. Thank you for including us on this consultation.*