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CIRCULAR 005/2017
NEW PROVISIONS ON BALLAST WATER MANAGEMENT:
BALLAST CHLORINATING SUSPENDED

Further to our CIRCULAR 002/2017 by which it has been informed about the recent implementation of Resolution 85-E/2017 (Ministry of Environment) by the Sanitary Authorities at San Lorenzo port (requesting the certificates of chlorination of the ballast as a condition to grant the “free pratique”):

Due to the general complaints of the industry and the lack of clarity as to the extent and application of the aforementioned resolution, the Authorities are reviewing the matter. In addition, the Ministry of Health decided to close the Sanitary Unit at San Lorenzo port (only entity who attempted to implement the resolution so far), thereafter, the chlorinating / certificates are no longer being requested.

For the time being, the general suggestion issued by Centro de Navegacion (agents’ chamber) is not to chlorinate until the matter is officially clarified by the Authorities.

Summing up, whilst Resolution 85-E/2017 remains in force – until the entrance into force of the BWM Convention – same it is not being implemented and the Owners are suggested not to perform said chlorinating process until further notice.

The usual ballast regulation shall be complied as per Coastguards’ regulations.

We shall continue monitoring the matter and will keep you posted. In the meantime, we remain at your disposal if clarification and / or additional information is needed

Yours
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*NB: this circular updates:
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