

MUMBAI PORT TRUST
PORT DEPARTMENT

NO. DC/C-SH/4599

18th Nov.2009.

TO:

ALL PORT USERS / SHIP AGENTS,
MANSA / INSA
SHIP OWNERS, CHARTERERS, OPERATORS, MANAGERS,
TANKER OWNERS, CHARTERERS, OPERATORS, MANAGERS,
OIL COMPANIES.

UNDER IMCO MEPC RECOMMENDATIONS BALLAST WATER INTAKE, EXCHANGE AND DISCHARGE IS TO BE THOROUGHLY MONITORED AND DEALT WITH BY ALL PORTS IN INDIA.

IN THIS REGARD ALL SHIPS VISTING THE PORT OF MUMBAI ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT BALLAST WATER REPORTING FORM TO THE HARBOUR MASTER.

AT PRESENT THE MASTERS OF VESSELS WERE MANUALLY FILLING UP THE PRINTED FORMS AND SUBMITTING THE SAME.

[SINCE ALMOST 25% OF THE FORMS WERE FILLED UP INCORRECTLY. THESE INCORRECT SUBMISSIONS WERE RENDERED INVALID AND HENCE THE MONITORING PROCESS PROVED INACCURATE].

[WITH EFFECT FROM 1ST DECEMBER 2009, THE MASTER OF EVERY VESSEL WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO CALL AT THE PORT OF MUMBAI IS REQUIRED TO SEND THE e-BWRF (ELECTRONIC BALLAST WATER REPORTING FORM) TO director pcc @mbpt mail.com VIA E-MAIL NEW VARA]

THE PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED FOR SUBMISSION OF THE REPORT CAN BE OBTAINED BY ACCESSING <http://www.bwmindia.com> WEBSITE ON THE INTERNET WHERE EVERY DETAIL HAS BEEN PROVIDED.

[WHILST AT THE PRESENT TIME IT IS NOT MANDATORY FOR MASTERS TO SUBMIT THE REPORT ONCE THE CONVENTION IS RATIFIED THEN FAILURE TO DO SO, WILL ENTAIL DENIAL OF ENTRY OF SUCH VESSEL INTO THE PORT, HENCE THE NECESSITY TO INITIATE THE PRACTICE AT THE EARLIEST.]

(Capt. V.V.A. PEREIRA)
HARBOUR MASTER