ANNEX 2

RESOLUTION MEPC.271(69)
(Adopted on 22 April 2016)

AMENDMENTS TO THE ANNEX OF THE PROTOCOL OF 1997 TO AMEND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION FROM SHIPS, 1973, AS MODIFIED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 1978 RELATING THERETO

Amendments to regulation 13 of MARPOL Annex VI

(Record requirements for operational compliance with NO_x Tier III emission control areas)

THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COMMITTEE,

RECALLING article 38(a) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Marine Environment Protection Committee conferred upon it by international conventions for the prevention and control of marine pollution from ships,

NOTING article 16 of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocols of 1978 and 1997 relating thereto (MARPOL), which specifies the amendment procedure and confers upon the appropriate body of the Organization the function of considering and adopting amendments thereto,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its sixty-ninth session, draft amendments to MARPOL Annex VI, related to record requirements for operational compliance with NO_X Tier III emission control areas,

1 ADOPTS, in accordance with article 16(2)(d) of MARPOL, amendments to regulation 13 of MARPOL Annex VI, the text of which is set out in the annex to the present resolution;

2 DETERMINES, in accordance with article 16(2)(f)(iii) of MARPOL, that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 March 2017, unless prior to that date, not less than one third of the Parties or Parties the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant fleet, have communicated to the Organization their objection to the amendments;

3 INVITES the Parties to note that, in accordance with article 16(2)(g)(ii) of MARPOL, the said amendments shall enter into force on 1 September 2017 upon their acceptance in accordance with paragraph 2 above;

4 REQUESTS the Secretary-General, for the purposes of article 16(2)(e) of MARPOL, to transmit certified copies of the present resolution and the text of the amendments contained in the annex to all Parties to MARPOL;

5 REQUESTS FURTHER the Secretary-General to transmit copies of the present resolution and its annex to the Members of the Organization which are not Parties MARPOL.

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AMENDMENTS TO MARPOL ANNEX VI
(Record requirements for operational compliance with
NO_X Tier III emission control areas)

ANNEX VI

REGULATION FOR THE PREVENTION OF AIR POLLUTION FROM SHIP

Chapter 3
Requirements for control of emissions from ships

Regulation 13 – Nitrogen oxides (NO_X)

1 A new paragraph 5.3 is added after existing paragraph 5.2, as follows:

"5.3 The tier and on/off status of marine diesel engines installed on board a ship to which paragraph 5.1 of this regulation applies which are certified to both Tier II and Tier III or which are certified to Tier II only shall be recorded in such logbook as prescribed by the Administration at entry into and exit from an emission control area designated under paragraph 6 of this regulation, or when the on/off status changes within such an area, together with the date, time and position of the ship."

2 In paragraph 5.1.1, the symbol "NO_X" is replaced with the symbol "NO_2".

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