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Subject: Merger of Det Norske Veritas and Germanischer Lloyd

Dear Shipowner/Operator/Master;

The purpose of this Marine Advisory is to inform interested parties of the Liberian Administration's actions following the widely reported merger of the Classification Societies Det Norske Veritas (DNV) and Germanischer Lloyd (GL) to become DNV GL. As confirmed in their announcement of the merger, DNV and GL have been operating as one classification society DNV GL, from December 2013.

Recognition of Statutory Certificates

DNV and GL are both Liberian Recognized Organizations (RO) and Recognized Security Organizations (RSO) and authorized, under identical agreements, to perform statutory services and issue statutory certificates on behalf of Liberia.

A new agreement for recognition of DNV GL as a Liberian RO and RSO will soon be finalized. Until then the existing agreement with DNV is considered as the current agreement under which DNV GL statutory services will be performed. Existing certificates issued by DNV or GL will remain valid, until their expiry date or until reissued. This action is taken until the new agreement for recognition of DNV GL is finalized.

Continuous Synopsis Record (CSR)

Existing CSR's which identify DNV or GL as class society, RO or RSO should be treated as identifying DNV GL and will remain valid, until issuance of a new CSR is required, due to change of other required information.

A copy of this Advisory should be retained on board for presentation to interested parties, including Port State Control Authorities.

For questions regarding this note please contact this Administration's Safety Department at telephone number +1 703 790 3434 or email: safety@liscr.com.

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