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MT(18)15

TO: MANNING & TRAINING SUB-COMMITTEE

Copy: Marine Committee All Full and Associate Members (for information)

INFORMAL WORKING GROUP TO DISCUSS TRAINING RELATED TO BALLAST WATER MANAGEMENT – 26 NOVEMBER 2018

Action required: Members are advised that the informal working group to discuss training related to ballast water management will meet on 26 November 2018 at the ICS offices in London from 13:00 to 17:00.

Further to MT(18)15, Members are advised that the informal working group to discuss training related to ballast water management will meet on 26 November 2018 at the ICS offices in London from 13:00 to 17:00. The Sub-Committee will meet the following day at 9:30 and conclude no later than 15:00.

The working group should consider the outcome of MEPC 73 and develop an ICS strategy for engaging with the upcoming work at IMO, taking into account the results of an ICS questionnaire on the subject and some draft minor amendments to the STCW Code previously considered by the Sub-Committee.

The following documents are attached to support the work of the working group:

- Annex A ICS submission to MEPC 73
- Annex B Outcome of MEPC 73 (see paragraphs 23-27 and annex 4 of document)
- **Annex C** Results of the ICS questionnaire
- **Annex D** Possible minor amendments to the STCW Code

Members intending to join the working group are invited to confirm their participation to the undersigned (<u>stewart.inglis@ics-shipping.org</u>) and Ms. Jade Smith (<u>jade.smith@ics-shipping.org</u>) if not done so already.

The outcome of the working group will be reported to the Sub-Committee under the relevant agenda item at its meeting on 27 November 2018.

Stewart Inglis Secretary to the Sub-Committee