

## **SHIPPING NOTICE 02/2021**

### **TECNICOMAR ECOMAR SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANTS.**

**To: OWNERS, MANAGERS AND MASTERS OF CAYMAN ISLANDS SHIPS and CAYMAN ISLANDS RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS.**

#### **1. BACKGROUND**

- 1.1 In February 2019, MED certification approval was withdrawn for certain Tecnicomar sewage treatment plant products, a full list of which is provided in Annex 1.
- 1.2 An evaluation of a risk assessment for the affected equipment by the UK MCA has concluded that these models have the potential to pose a risk to the marine environment, meaning that corrective action must be taken by the manufacturer (Tecnicomar S.p.A.) in order for the equipment to remain in use and not be removed from vessels. In response to the withdrawal of certification, Tecnicomar S.p.A. has gained certification from DNV-GL, on behalf of the Norwegian Administration, for a new range of equipment (ECOMAR-S range) and is currently seeking certification of an upgrade kit which would enable the impacted models to regain certification.

#### **2. EXISTING UNITS**

- 2.1 As the listed equipment is currently uncertified, vessels that have the equipment onboard risk being unable to renew their Sewage Pollution Prevention certification (Statement of Compliance) when their existing Statement of Compliance expires. To maintain the validity of certification, shipowners and operators must liaise with Tecnicomar S.p.A. to agree and arrange for the replacement or upgrade of the non-compliant equipment.

#### **3. RECERTIFICATION**

- 3.1 All uncertified equipment must be replaced with equipment certified in accordance with MEPC.227(64) before the renewal of the International Sewage Pollution Prevention Statement of Compliance.
- 3.4 Where equipment has been modified to comply with MEPC.227(64) the certification must clearly cover the entire installation, as modified.

#### 4 FURTHER INFORMATION

4.1 Further information can be obtained by contacting the equipment manufacturer or the body issuing the Statement of Compliance.

#### ANNEX 1

List of Tecnicomar ECOMAR Products for which MED Certification was Withdrawn by the Notified Body from 15 February 2019:

Model	Specified Standard	Certificate Valid From	Certificate Valid Until
ECOMAR 20	MEPC.227(64), including para 4.2	22/12/2015	21/12/2020
ECOMAR 32	MEPC.227(64), including para 4.2	22/12/2015	21/12/2020
ECOMAR 45	MEPC.227(64), including para 4.2	22/012/2015	21/12/2020
ECOMAR 70	MEPC.227(64), including para 4.2	22/012/2015	21/12/2020
ECOMAR 145	MEPC.227(64), including para 4.2	22/012/2015	21/12/2020
ECOMAR 340	MEPC.227(64), including para 4.2	14/01/2016	13/01/2021
ECOMAR 545	MEPC.227(64), including para 4.2	14/01/2016	13/01/2021
ECOMAR 6 ECOMAR 6AC ECOMAR 8 ECOMAR 8AC ECOMAR 16 ECOMAR 24 ECOMAR 50 ECOMAR 120 ECOMAR 200 ECOMAR 20 ECOMAR 32 ECOMAR 45 ECOMAR 70 ECOMAR 145 ECOMAR 340 ECOMAR 545		29/05/2016	28/05/2019