

Marine Notice: PMA/SRS/1/2018 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018

To: All Shipowners, Operators, Masters and Officers

of Merchant Ships, and Recognized Organizations

**Subject:** Bunker and CLC Certificates

1) Please note that the Kingdom of Bahrain has ratified the Bunker Convention. Accordingly, every Bahraini vessel with Gross Tonnage (GT) of 1000 and above must have a Bunker Certificate which is to be issued by this Administration. In order to apply for the Bunker Certificate, please submit a statement (Blue Card) from the insurance company. The Blue Card should be addressed to the Ports and Maritime Affairs and confirm that insurance has been taken out for the ship to cover liability pursuant to the Bunker Convention. Blue Cards issued by insurers from the International Group of P&I Clubs are also accepted.

2) Furthermore, the Kingdom of Bahrain has also ratified the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage (also known as CLC Convention). Accordingly, every Bahraini vessel carrying more than 2,000 tons of oil in bulk as cargo is required to have a valid CLC Certificate. Applications for CLC Certificates are to be submitted to this Administration along with a declaration from an insurance company (Blue Card) confirming that the ship is insured against damages caused by oil pollution pursuant to the convention.

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