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To: All Owners, Managers and Representatives of Ships under the Georgian Flag, Masters and Officers, Recognized Organizations and Georgia flag state inspectors

Subject: Radio Message Accounting Procedures and Approved Accounting Authorities

Reference: Maritime Code of Georgia; ITU Radio Regulation S58; ITU-T Recommendation D.90 (03/95)

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1. Purpose

1.1 The main purpose of this circular is to provide details concerning radio message accounting procedures proscribed by Georgian Maritime Regulations and to list the relevant Accounting Authorities approved by LEPL Maritime Transport Agency of Georgia (therefore "Agency")

2. Applications

2.1 This Circular applies to all vessels registered under the Georgian flag, which are equipped with ship radio stations.

3. Requirements

- 3.1 The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Convention currently in force provides for Accounting Authorities to settle maritime radio communication accounts for ships licensed by the Administration.
- 3.2 Owners of vessels are hereby obliged to enter into legal contracts with an approved Accounting Authority, which in turn will be responsible to settle all charges arising from international maritime radio traffic done through radio communication from ship to shore including both terrestrial and satellite.
- 3.3 The approved Accounting Authority for the vessel shall be fully responsible for the payment of the radio communication charges including all activation and deactivation fees.
- 3.4 No ship is entitled to be registered or to maintain registration under the Georgia Flag unless the owner has entered into a valid contract with an Accounting Authority approved by the Agency. The approved Accounting Authority, pursuant to the terms of the contract, shall assume accounting obligations for the maritime mobile and maritime mobile-satellite radio services and may also assume responsibility to obtain the vessel's Ship Radio Station License.
- 3.5 In accordance with ITU-T Recommendation D.90, the number of accounting authorities based in other countries that the Administrator may recognize is limited to 25.
- 3.6 The list of approved Accounting Authorities are listed in Annex 1 of this circular.

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