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GENERAL CIRCULAR

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To: The Fleet

Subject: Maintenance of Viking life Raft S 30 with extended service interval

A brief introduction of Viking S30, Extended Service Liferaft

The special design of the VIKING S30 liferaft means that service intervals by VIKING authorized service stations can be extended up to a **maximum period of 30 months** instead of 12 month service intervals for a standard life raft.

To ensure the liferaft remains in optimum condition during this extended service period the VIKING S30 liferaft is packaged in a protective sealed pouch made from aluminium which helps to protect the liferaft from coming in to contact with destructive elements like water and humidity.

At **intervals not exceeding 12 months** the crew are responsible for performing an onboard inspection of the liferaft that includes testing the environment inside the aluminium pouch as well as a visual inspection of the life raft container.

The onboard inspection is performed by means of a testing panel located on the aluminium pouch which measures the Humidity and CO₂ concentration inside the pouch. The testing panel information is read by using a special testing tool which is supplied with the instruction manual (**This testing tool along with the Manual is to be safely kept onboard, inside the briefcase/toolbox provided by Viking**).

These measurements determine whether the liferaft can be approved for another 12 month period or whether it is necessary for the liferaft to be serviced by an authorised VIKING S30 service station.

The purpose of this General Circular (GC) is to provide you additional guidelines which must be taken into account when carrying out maintenance of Viking Life Rafts.

The said guidelines are as under:

- The Annual test can be carried out **ONLY** by an Officer certified by Viking. This certificate will
- be made available to all Deck Officers by Maritec Crewing prior joining.
- The ambient temperature to conduct the said test should be below 40 deg C.
- The test to be done ideally once in a year, **more attempts to be avoided to preserve the built-in battery in the Testing tool.**
- **if TEST results are not within limits, as per Maker's attached instructions, Maritec Technical /**
- **QHSE to be informed immediately.**

Once the Annual maintenance is successfully completed and the related Log Book (supplied by

Viking) filled in , please immediately send scanned copy of Log book entry via e-mail to: technical@maritectankers.com / cc. qhse@maritectankers.com

Also make relevant entries in Deck log book and / or "Record Book" as per ISM.

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