



SUB-COMMITTEE ON BULK LIQUIDS
AND GASES
15th session
Agenda item 1

BLG 15/1
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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

**for the fifteenth session of the Sub-Committee to be held at IMO Headquarters,
4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR,
from Monday, 7 to Friday, 11 February 2011
(Session commences at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 7 February 2011)**

- Opening of the session
- 1 Adoption of the agenda
- 2 Decisions of other IMO bodies
- 3 Evaluation of safety and pollution hazards of chemicals and preparation of consequential amendments
- 4 Application of the requirements for the carriage of bio-fuels and bio-fuel blends
- 5 Development of guidelines and other documents for uniform implementation of the 2004 BWM Convention
- 6 Development of provisions for gas-fuelled ships
- 7 Casualty analysis
- 8 Consideration of IACS unified interpretations
- 9 Development of international measures for minimizing the transfer of invasive aquatic species through bio-fouling of ships
- 10 Revision of the IGC Code
- 11 Review of relevant non-mandatory instruments as a consequence of the amended MARPOL Annex VI and the NO_x Technical Code
- 12 Development of a Code for the transport and handling of limited amounts of hazardous and noxious liquid substances in bulk in offshore support vessels
- 13 Amendments to SOLAS to mandate enclosed space entry and rescue drills
- 14 Revision of the Recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships

- 15 Review of proposed amendments to chapter 14 of the FSS Code related to ships carrying liquid substances listed in the IBC Code
- 16 Biennial agenda and provisional agenda for BLG 16
- 17 Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2012
- 18 Any other business
- 19 Report to the Committees

Notes:

1 In accordance with the Guidelines on the organization and method of work of the MSC and the MEPC and their subsidiary bodies (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.2):

- .1 documents should be received in the Secretariat as follows^{*}:
 - .1 documents (including information documents submitted in hard copy only) containing more than 6 pages of text (bulky documents), by **Friday, 12 November 2010**;
 - .2 non-bulky documents (including information documents) and bulky information documents, if submitted in electronic format, by **Friday, 10 December 2010**; and
 - .3 documents, containing 4 pages or less, commenting on those documents referred to in paragraphs 1.1.1 and 1.1.2^{**} above, by **Friday, 24 December 2010** (see also paragraph 4.10.5 of the Guidelines);
- .2 for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing, be as concise as possible and:
 - .1 all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with section 4 of the above-mentioned Guidelines;
 - .2 substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action which the Sub-Committee is invited to take; and
 - .3 information documents should conclude with a summary of the information contained therein;

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In the case of:

- .1 documents exceeding the number of pages specified, the provisions of paragraph 4.10.1 of the Guidelines will apply; and
- .2 documents other than information documents, which contain more than 20 pages, C 104 decided that they will not be translated into all working languages in their entirety. Such documents should include, for translation purposes, a summary of the document not longer than four pages, with the technical content submitted as an annex in the language needed by working groups (e.g., English).

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MSC 87 agreed that paragraph 1.1.3 should also apply to documents indicated in paragraph 1.1.2.

.3 the following word-processing format should be observed in order to standardize the presentation of documents:

- font: Arial
- font size: 11 pt
- justification: full
- margins (centimetres): 2 cm top, 2.5 cm bottom, left and right.

In this respect a template is available on the IMODOCS website for use in the preparation of documents; and

.4 to facilitate the processing of documents, they should be submitted on a USB stick if possible, or sent via e-mail to info@imo.org, in which case hard copies of the documents should also be sent by mail or facsimile. Microsoft Word format is preferable in either case.

2 The MSC recommended the sub-committees to strictly observe the above provisions of the aforementioned Guidelines which, *inter alia*, provide that the Secretariat should strictly apply the rules concerning the submission of documents and not accept late submissions from Governments or delegations.
