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Agenda item 1

Adoption of the agenda

PPR 7/1	Secretariat	Provisional agenda
PPR 7/1/1	Secretariat	Annotations to the provisional agenda
PPR 7/1/2 ²	Secretariat	Arrangements for the session

1 The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider and adopt its provisional agenda (PPR 7/1). Ad hoc working, technical or drafting groups on the following subjects are envisaged to be established during the session:

- .1 Evaluation of safety and pollution hazards of chemicals and preparation of consequential amendments to the IBC Code;

¹ Unless indicated otherwise, documents listed herein are those received, or prepared by the Secretariat, by the date of the present document.

² To be issued in due course.

- .2 Revised guidance on ballast water sampling and analysis; Revised guidance on methodologies that may be used for enumerating viable organisms; Amendment of Annex 1 to the AFS Convention to include controls on cybutryne, and consequential revision of relevant guidelines; and Review of the 2011 Guidelines for the control and management of ships' biofouling to minimize the transfer of invasive aquatic species;
- .3 Reduction of the impact on the Arctic of Black Carbon emissions from international shipping; Development of guidelines for on board sampling of fuel oil not in use by the ship; Standards for shipboard gasification of waste systems and associated amendments to regulation 16 of MARPOL Annex VI; Review of the *2015 Guidelines for exhaust gas cleaning systems* (resolution MEPC.259(68)); Evaluation and harmonization of rules and guidance on the discharge of liquid effluents from EGCS into waters, including conditions and areas; and Development of amendments to MARPOL Annex VI and the NO_x Technical Code on the use of multiple engine operational profiles for a marine diesel engine; and
- .4 Development of measures to reduce risks of use and carriage of heavy fuel oil as fuel by ships in Arctic waters; Review of the IBTS Guidelines and amendments to the IOPP Certificate and Oil Record Book.

2 The final decision on the establishment of working, technical and drafting groups will depend on the submissions received. The Sub-Committee will be advised of the arrangements by the Chair (PPR 7/1/2²) in due time before the meeting.

Agenda item 2

Decisions of other IMO bodies

PPR 7/2 ³	Secretariat	Outcome of MEPC 74
PPR 7/2/1 ³	Secretariat	Outcome of MSC 101
PPR 7/2/2 ³	Secretariat	Outcome of III 6
PPR 7/2/3 ³	Secretariat	Outcome of SDC 6 and FAL 43

3 The Sub-Committee will be informed of relevant decisions made and action taken by MEPC 74 (PPR 7/2), MSC 101 (PPR 7/2/1), III 6 (PPR 7/2/2), SDC 6 and FAL 43 (PPR 7/2/3), as well as other bodies of the Organization, as appropriate, and will be invited to take action under the relevant agenda items.

Agenda item 3

Safety and pollution hazards of chemicals and preparation of consequential amendments to the IBC Code

PPR 7/3 ³	Secretariat	Report of the twenty-fifth session of the Working Group on the Evaluation and Safety of Pollution Hazards of Chemicals
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4 The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider the report of the twenty-fifth session of the ESPH Working Group (PPR 7/3) and take action as appropriate. The Sub-Committee is expected to convene a working group and instruct it to continue work on matters related to the evaluation of safety and pollution hazards of chemicals. The Group may also be requested to deal with other related issues as appropriate.

³ To be issued in due course.

Agenda item 4 **Revised guidance on ballast water sampling and analysis**

MEPC 74/4/10	France	Proposed addition of analytical method in Circular BWM.2/Circ.42 on ballast water sampling and analysis for trial use in accordance with the BWM Convention and Guidelines (G2)
MEPC 74/INF.17	France	Information on the development and assessment of a new analytical method for enumerating organisms in the 10 to 50 µm size class and in the greater than 50 µm size class in treated ballast water

5 The target completion year for this output was extended by MEPC 74 to 2021, following consideration by the Committee of documents MEPC 74/4/10 and MEPC 74/INF.17 (France), which were both referred to PPR 7 (MEPC 74/18, paragraphs 4.35 and 4.36). The Sub-Committee will also be invited to consider any other relevant documents submitted to this session. A working group may be established to deal with the matter.

Agenda item 5 **Revised guidance on methodologies that may be used for enumerating viable organisms**

6 MEPC 74 agreed to extend the target completion year for this output to 2021 to allow additional time for consideration of new methodologies (MEPC 74/18, annex 22; and PPR 6/20, paragraph 5.4). The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider any relevant proposals submitted by Member Governments and international organizations. A working group may be established to deal with the matter.

Agenda item 6 **Amendment of Annex 1 to the AFS Convention to include controls on cybutryne, and consequential revision of relevant guidelines**

7 PPR 6 agreed to the following draft amendments to the AFS Convention, as prepared by the Technical Group on Amendments to the AFS Convention, with a view to approval by MEPC 74 and subsequent adoption:

- .1 draft amendments to Annex 1 (Controls on anti-fouling systems) to the AFS Convention to include controls on cybutryne, as set out in annex 1 to annex 8 to document PPR 6/20/Add.1 (PPR 6/20, paragraph 6.11); and
- .2 draft amendments to Appendix 1 to Annex 4 to the AFS Convention (model form of the International Anti-fouling System Certificate (IAFSC)), as set out in annex 2 to annex 8 to document PPR 6/20/Add.1 (PPR 6/20, paragraphs 6.14 and 6.15).

8 Subsequently, MEPC 74 agreed to refer the draft amendments to Annex 1 to the AFS Convention to PPR 7 for further consideration, including addressing the potential conflict between article 4(2) of the AFS Convention and the proposed amendments to Annex 1 set out in document MEPC 74/10/9 (Japan), and for the outcome to be reported to MEPC 75 as an urgent matter. In this regard, the Sub-Committee is expected to consider legal advice by the Secretariat in relation to article 4(2) of the AFS Convention (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 10.19).

9 The Sub-Committee will also be invited to consider any other relevant documents submitted to this session, including any information that may be submitted by Member Governments and international organizations on the impact of the removal or sealing of existing anti-fouling systems utilizing cybutryne that had been applied to ships, taking into account document MEPC 74/10/9 (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 10.20).

10 A technical group may be established to deal with the matter.

Agenda item 7 **Review of the 2011 Guidelines for the control and management of ships' biofouling to minimize the transfer of invasive aquatic species (resolution MEPC.207(62))**

PPR 7/7	ICES	Additional actions to minimize biofouling introductions
PPR 7/7/1	BIMCO	Biofouling management survey
PPR 7/INF.2	ICES	References to inform additional actions to evaluate and minimize biofouling introductions
MEPC 73/18/1	Islamic Republic of Iran	Biofouling transfer of non-indigenous/invasive species through ships
MEPC 73/INF.12	Islamic Republic of Iran	Status of biofouling transfer of non-indigenous/invasive species in busy ports on southern Iranian coastline

11 The Sub-Committee will commence its work on this matter and will be invited to consider relevant proposals submitted by Member Governments and international organizations, including documents MEPC 73/18/1 and MEPC 73/INF.12 (Islamic Republic of Iran) which were forwarded to the Sub-Committee by MEPC 73 for further consideration (MEPC 73/19, paragraph 18.8). A working group may be established to deal with the matter.

Agenda item 8 **Reduction of the impact on the Arctic of Black Carbon emissions from international shipping**

MEPC 74/10/8	Finland, Germany, Netherlands and Republic of Korea	Approach for addressing the impact on the Arctic of emissions of Black Carbon from International Shipping
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12 Having noted that PPR 6 had completed its work under the output "Consideration of the impact on the Arctic of emissions of Black Carbon from international shipping" in accordance with the terms of reference given by MEPC 62, MEPC 74 considered the request by the Sub-Committee to provide instruction on further work on the reduction of the impact on the Arctic of Black Carbon emissions from international shipping, taking into account the relevant outcomes up to then, including the simplified compilation of identified candidate control measures and the supporting guidance identifying areas where further work may be required in the future, as set out in annex 9 to document PPR 6/20/Add.1 (MEPC 74/18, paragraphs 5.61 and 5.62).

13 In this regard, the Committee noted that the overwhelming majority supported, in principle, the draft terms of reference on reducing the impact on the Arctic of Black Carbon emissions from international shipping, as set out in paragraph 5 of document MEPC 74/10/8 (Finland et al.), for further consideration by PPR 7, with a view to advising the Committee accordingly. The Committee also noted that action considered could include non-mandatory instruments such as guidance. In this context, the Sub-Committee will also be invited to

consider any concrete proposals from Member Governments and international organizations on how to control Black Carbon emissions to reduce the impact on the Arctic of Black Carbon emissions from international shipping and how to develop a standardized sampling, conditioning and measurement protocol for Black Carbon emissions from international shipping (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 5.67).

14 A working group may be established to deal with the matter.

Agenda item 9 Development of guidelines for on board sampling of fuel oil not in use by the ship

MEPC 74/10/2	IMarEST	Comments on the draft amendments to regulation 14 of MARPOL Annex VI
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15 Following the outcome of PPR 6 with regard to the output "Consistent implementation of regulation 14.1.3 of MARPOL Annex VI", MEPC 74 agreed to rename the output to "Development of guidelines for on board sampling of fuel oil not in use by the ship" and extended the target completion year to 2020, having noted the recommendation of PPR 6 that, as a consequence of draft amendments to regulation 14.8 of MARPOL Annex VI introducing on board sampling of fuel oil not in use by the ship, guidelines to support effective and safe implementation would need to be developed before the entry into force of the new requirements (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 5.57; MEPC 74/18/Add.1, annex 22; and PPR 6/20, paragraph 8.77).

16 Consequently, the Sub-Committee will be invited to develop corresponding guidelines, taking into consideration the relevant outcomes of MEPC 74 and any related documents submitted to this session, including document MEPC 74/10/2 (IMarEST) which was forwarded by MEPC 74 to PPR 7 for further consideration by the Sub-Committee under this agenda item (MEPC 74/18, paragraphs 5.58 and 5.59). A working group may be established to deal with the matter.

Agenda item 10 Standards for shipboard gasification of waste systems and associated amendments to regulation 16 of MARPOL Annex VI

17 MEPC 74 agreed to extend the target completion year for this output to 2020, based on a request by PPR 6 (MEPC 74/18/Add.1, annex 22; and PPR 6/20, paragraph 10.5). The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider any concrete proposals submitted to this session for draft standards for shipboard gasification of waste systems.

Agenda item 11 Review of the 2015 Guidelines for exhaust gas cleaning systems (resolution MEPC.259(68)) (1.12)

PPR 7/11	InterManager	Modifications to the table of methods for sample preparation and analysis
PPR 6/11	Finland	Report of the Correspondence Group (Part 1: Proposals for amendments to the 2015 Guidelines for exhaust gas cleaning systems)
PPR 6/11/Add.1	Finland	Report of the Correspondence Group (Part 2: Proposals for amendments to the 2009 Guidelines for port State control under the revised MARPOL Annex VI (resolution MEPC.181(59))

PPR 6/11/1	Secretariat	Advice by GESAMP on proposals for amendments to the <i>2015 Guidelines for exhaust gas cleaning systems</i> (resolution MEPC.259(68))
PPR 6/11/2	CESA	Information on the options for standardization of the calibration of oil monitoring instruments
PPR 6/11/3	United States	Comments on document PPR 6/11
PPR 6/11/4	CESA	Comments on improving and standardizing accessibility and data presentation of exhaust gas cleaning systems performance database records
PPR 6/11/5	IACS	Comments on the report of the Correspondence Group on Exhaust Gas Cleaning Systems
PPR 6/11/6	CLIA	Comments on the report of the Correspondence Group on Exhaust Gas Cleaning Systems
PPR 6/INF.2	Finland	Comments received by the Correspondence Group on Exhaust Gas Cleaning Systems relating to proposals for amendments to sections 1 to 4 of the <i>2015 Guidelines for exhaust gas cleaning systems</i>
PPR 6/INF.3	Finland	Comments received by the Correspondence Group on Exhaust Gas Cleaning Systems relating to proposals for amendments to sections 5 to 10 of the <i>2015 Guidelines for exhaust gas cleaning systems</i>
PPR 6/INF.4	Finland	Comments received by the Correspondence Group on Exhaust Gas Cleaning Systems relating to proposals for amendments to the appendices of the <i>2015 Guidelines for exhaust gas cleaning systems</i>
PPR 6/INF.5	Finland	Comments received by the Correspondence Group on Exhaust Gas Cleaning Systems relating to proposals for amendments to the <i>2009 Guidelines for port State control under the revised MARPOL Annex VI (resolution MEPC.181(59))</i>
PPR 6/INF.20	Germany	Results from a German project on washwater from exhaust gas cleaning systems
MEPC 73/INF.5	CESA	Study report on analyses of water samples from exhaust gas cleaning systems

18 MEPC 74 agreed to extend the target completion for this output to 2020, with a view to finalizing the work at PPR 7 (MEPC 74/18/Add.1, annex 22). The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider all documents that had been submitted under this agenda item at PPR 6, in conjunction with any additional documents submitted to this session by interested Member Governments and international organizations. A working group may be established to deal with the matter (PPR 6/20, paragraph 11.23).

19 Reports of studies on washwater from exhaust gas cleaning systems (EGCS) (e.g. PPR 6/INF.20 and MEPC 73/INF.5) are expected to be considered under agenda item 12.

Agenda item 12 Evaluation and harmonization of rules and guidance on the discharge of liquid effluents from EGCS into waters, including conditions and areas

MEPC 74/14/1	Austria et al.	Proposal for evaluation and developing harmonized rules and guidance on the discharge of liquid effluents from exhaust gas cleaning systems
MEPC 74/14/7	CLIA	Comments on the proposal for evaluation and developing harmonized rules and guidance on the discharge of liquid effluents from exhaust gas cleaning systems
MEPC 74/14/8	CESA	Environmental impact assessment of EGCS discharges for generic risk-based requirements adequately addressing all available technologies
MEPC 74/14/9	China	Comments on document MEPC 74/14/1
MEPC 74/ INF.10	Panama	Scrubber Environmental Impact Literature Review
MEPC 74/ INF.24	Japan	Report on the environmental impact assessment of discharge water from exhaust gas cleaning systems
MEPC 74/ INF.27	CLIA	Compilation and assessment of 281 cruise ship EGCS washwater samples

20 The Sub-Committee will be invited to commence its work on this output, approved, in principle, by MEPC 74 with a target completion year of 2021, with a view to refining the title and the scope of the output and advising MEPC 75 accordingly. In this regard, the Sub-Committee will be invited to consider documents MEPC 74/14/1 (Austria et al.), MEPC 74/14/7 (CLIA), MEPC 74/14/8 (CESA), MEPC 74/14/9 (China), MEPC 74/INF.10 (Panama), MEPC 74/INF.24 (Japan) and MEPC 74/INF.27 (CLIA), which were forwarded to it by MEPC 74 (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 14.11), together with any other relevant documents submitted or referred to this session (see also paragraph 19).

21 The Sub-Committee will also be invited to consider the report of the GESAMP Task Team on EGCS, which was established by GESAMP upon the request of MEPC 74 (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 14.14). The GESAMP Task Team met from 29 October to 1 November 2019 and its report is expected to be submitted as an information document on the 9-week submission deadline (13 December 2019), subject to approval of the Task Team's report by GESAMP.

22 A working group may be established to deal with the matter.

Agenda item 13 Development of amendments to MARPOL Annex VI and the NO_x Technical Code on the use of multiple engine operational profiles for a marine diesel engine

MEPC 73/11/1	United States	Multiple engine operation profiles and Not to Exceed Zones for NO _x emissions
MEPC 73/INF.15	United States	Not to Exceed Zones for NO _x emissions

23 The Sub-Committee will be invited to commence its work on this matter in accordance with the following scope of work that was approved by MEPC 73:

"Taking into account the concept of Not to Exceed (NTE) Zones, as described in documents MEPC 73/11/1 and MEPC 73/INF.15 (United States), clarify whether multiple engine operational profiles are allowed, and if so, what regulatory controls should be applied, noting these may also need to include amendments to MARPOL Annex VI and the NO_x Technical Code 2008; and if not allowed, then what amendments would be necessary to MARPOL Annex VI and the NO_x Technical Code 2008 to explicitly prohibit multiple engine operational profiles"

24 A working group may be established to deal with the matter.

Agenda item 14 Development of measures to reduce risks of use and carriage of heavy fuel oil as fuel by ships in Arctic waters

PPR 7/14 ⁴	Russian Federation	Report of the Correspondence Group Development of Guidelines on Measures to Reduce Risks of Use and Carriage of Heavy Fuel Oil as Fuel by Ships in Arctic Waters
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25 The Sub-Committee will continue its work on this matter in accordance with the following scope of work that was approved by MEPC 72:

- .1 develop a definition of heavy fuel oil (HFO) taking into account regulation 43 of MARPOL Annex I;
- .2 prepare a set of Guidelines on mitigation measures to reduce risks of use and carriage of HFO as fuel by ships in Arctic waters, taking into account document MEPC 72/11; and
- .3 on the basis of an assessment of the impacts, develop a ban on HFO for use and carriage as fuel by ships in Arctic waters, on an appropriate timescale.

26 The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider the report of the Correspondence Group on Development of Guidelines on Measures to Reduce Risks of Use and Carriage of HFO as Fuel by Ships in Arctic Waters (PPR 7/14), established at PPR 6 (PPR 6/20, paragraph 12.31), together with any other relevant documents submitted to this session, including any assessments of the impacts of a ban on use and carriage of HFO as fuel by ships in Arctic waters and any proposals for draft amendments to IMO instruments. A working group may be established to deal with the matter.

⁴ To be issued in due course.

Agenda item 15 Review of the IBTS Guidelines and amendments to the IOPP Certificate and Oil Record Book

PPR 7/15 Chair of the Working Group Report of the Working Group on HFO in Arctic Waters and on Review of the IBTS Guidelines (part 2)

27 The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider part 2 of the report of the Working Group on HFO in Arctic Waters and on Review of the IBTS Guidelines (PPR 7/15) and the report of the Correspondence Group on Review of the IBTS Guidelines and Amendments to the IOPP Certificate and Oil Record Book, both established at PPR 6 (PPR 6/20, paragraphs 13.6 to 13.9), together with any other relevant documents submitted to this session. A working/drafting group may be established to deal with the matter.

Agenda item 16 Revision of MARPOL Annex IV and associated guidelines to introduce provisions for record-keeping and measures to confirm the lifetime performance of sewage treatment plants

PPR 6/14 Norway Proposed amendments to the 2012 Guidelines on implementation of effluent standards and performance tests for sewage treatment plants (resolution MEPC.227(64))

28 The Sub-Committee will be invited to resume its work concerning the performance of sewage treatment plants, following the decision of MEPC 74 to expand the scope of the output "Amendments to the 2012 Guidelines on implementation of effluent standards and performance tests for sewage treatment plants (resolution MEPC.227(64), as amended by resolution MEPC.284(70)) to reduce inconsistencies in their application" and to amend the title of the output to "Revision of MARPOL Annex IV and associated guidelines to introduce provisions for record-keeping and measures to confirm the lifetime performance of sewage treatment plants", based on the general support for the proposal in document MEPC 74/14 (Norway) (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 14.5).

29 In this context, the Sub-Committee has been instructed by MEPC 74 to:

- .1 give due consideration to the application of draft amendments to MARPOL Annex IV, taking into account the general principle that ships should not be unduly penalized (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 14.6); and
- .2 further consider the comment by the observer from IACS, as noted by MEPC 74, seeking clarification on whether the scope of the work (MEPC 74/14, paragraph 16) should include not only amendments to regulations of MARPOL Annex IV but also development of associated templates or guidelines in relation to sewage record-keeping and sewage management plan (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 14.7).

Agenda item 17 Follow-up work emanating from the Action Plan to address marine plastic litter from ships

30 The Sub-Committee will be invited to commence work in relation to marine plastic litter from ships, based on the scope of work agreed by MEPC 74 (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 8.35), as set out in annex 21 to document MEPC 74/18/Add.1 (see also MEPC 74/18/Add.1/Corr.1).

Agenda item 18 **Unified interpretation to provisions of IMO environment-related conventions**

31 The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider the unified interpretations, proposals and comments submitted to the session by Member Governments and international organizations, with a view to developing relevant IMO interpretations, as appropriate.

Agenda item 19 **Biennial agenda and provisional agenda for PPR 8**

32 The Sub-Committee will be invited to review its biennial status report, taking into account the progress made at the session, and prepare the draft provisional agenda for PPR 8, in accordance with the *Organization and method of work of the Maritime Safety Committee and the Marine Environment Committee and their subsidiary bodies* (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.1), for approval in principle by MEPC 75 and final approval by MEPC 76.

Agenda item 20 **Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021**

33 In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Marine Environment Protection Committee, the Sub-Committee will be invited to elect its Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021.

Agenda item 21 **Any other business**

PPR 7/21	IOC-UNESCO, ICES and ISO	Proposed protocol for the verification of ballast water compliance monitoring devices
PPR 7/21/1	InterManager	Additions to the Guidance for the commissioning testing of ballast water management systems (BWM.2/Circ.70)
MEPC 74/14/4	Norway	New output on amendments to regulation 13.2.2 of MARPOL Annex VI
MEPC 74/17/1	Republic of Korea	Proposal for consideration on the possible adjustment of storage period of bunker samples on board ships navigating on regular routes

34 Under this agenda item, the Sub-Committee will be invited to consider documents that do not fall under the scope of other agenda items, as may be submitted by Member Governments and international organizations or referred to it by the Committees or other sub-committees, including the following:

- .1 documents containing proposals on any necessary changes to BWM.2/Circ.70 in light of the draft amendments to regulation E-1, with a view to reporting the outcome of the Sub-Committee's consideration to MEPC 75 as an urgent matter (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 4.57);
- .2 documents containing proposals for the development of a standard for verification of ballast water compliance monitoring systems, taking into account the comments made by the Ballast Water Review Group at MEPC 74 (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 4.60; and MEPC 74/WP.11, paragraphs 28 to 32);
- .3 document MEPC 74/17/1 (Republic of Korea), proposing a review on the need to adjust the retention period of the MARPOL delivered fuel oil sample

in accordance with regulation 18.8.1 of MARPOL Annex VI for ships navigating on regular routes (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 5.73);

- .4 any documents containing concrete proposals on guidelines for the enforcement of provisions in Chapter 4 of MARPOL Annex VI on regulations on energy efficiency of ships, including EEDI, ship energy efficiency management plan (SEEMP) and the collection and reporting of ship fuel oil consumption data (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 5.119); and
- .5 document MEPC 74/14/4 (Norway), proposing a new output to amend regulation 13.2.2 of MARPOL Annex VI to clarify that the installation of a marine diesel engine replacing a boiler shall be considered a replacement engine, with a view to advising MEPC 76 accordingly (MEPC 74/18, paragraph 14.22).

35 Based on the outcome of III 6, the Sub-Committee will also be invited to further review the draft amendments to the Procedures for Port State Control in relation to the use of electronic record books, as presented in annex 15 of document PPR 5/24, that were not included by III 6 in the draft Assembly resolution on *Procedures for Port State Control, 2019*, and to subsequently invite MEPC 75 to request III 7 to review those amendments before consolidation into the next revision of the Procedures for PSC (III 6/15, paragraph 5.39).

36 Matters considered under this agenda item may be referred to working/drafting groups, as appropriate.

Agenda item 22 Report to the Marine Environment Protection Committee

37 The Sub-Committee will be invited to consider its draft report on the session, for submission to the Committee for approval.

Action requested of the Sub-Committee

38 The Sub-Committee is invited to note the information provided and take action as appropriate.
