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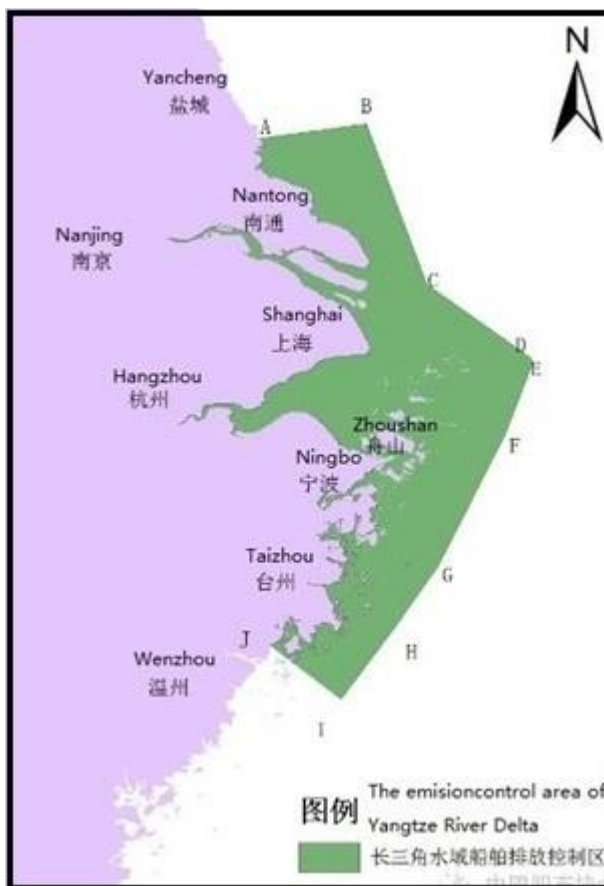
To the Members

Dear Sirs,

China - Establishment of Emission Control Areas (ECA) (No.9)

Members are kindly requested to refer to the previous Japan P&I News [No.858](#) dated 2 December 2016 and [No.881](#) dated 3 April 2017.

Implementation of the low sulphur fuel requirement was started on 1 September 2017 at all ports in the Zhejiang ECA which is a part of the Yangtze River ECA (Zhejiang ECA includes Ningbo, Zhoushan, Jiaxing, Taizhou etc.). This means that such low sulphur fuel requirement has now been implemented at all ports in the Yangtze River ECA. The map of the Yangtze River ECA is shown as follows:-



Members are therefore kindly requested that they make sure to comply with the low sulphur fuel requirement, using fuel with sulphur contents not exceeding 0.5% m/m, during their vessels' calls at any of the ports in the Yangtze River ECA.

Yours faithfully,

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Attachment: The Circular issued by Huatai Insurance Agency & Consultant Service Ltd.
as of 1st September 2017



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华泰保险经纪有限公司

HUATAI INSURANCE AGENCY & CONSULTANT SERVICE LTD.

Circular Ref No.: PNI1710

Date: 1 Sep 2017

Dear Sir or Madam,

Subject: Low Sulphur Fuel Requirement to be Implemented in All Ports within Zhejiang ECA, China which include Ningbo, Zhoushan, Jiaxing, Taizhou, etc. from 01 Sep 2017

Reference is made to our previous Circular (Ref No.: PNI 1611) on 30 Nov 2016, wherein we advised that **all the key ports** within three ECAs in China were going to implement the low sulphur fuel requirement as from 01/01/2017. On 24 Aug 2016, Zhejiang MSA and Communications Department of Zhejiang Province issued a formal notice which determined that as from 01/09/2017, ships are required to use fuel with sulphur contents not exceeding 0.5%*m/m* when berthing (excluding one hour after berthing and one hour before departure) at **all ports within Zhejiang ECA** area which is a part of Yangtze River ECA. We hereby summarized the key points of above Notice as below for your kind reference:

1. Applicable Area

(1) Seawater area: the sea area within the lines connecting

- a. 12 nautical miles away from the shoreline junction point of Zhejiang province and Shanghai city
- b. 12 nautical miles away from the shoreline junction point of Taizhou city and Wenzhou city

Jiaxing port, Ningbo-zhoushan port and Taizhou port are included in the above seawater area.

(2) Inland water areas: navigable waters under the administrative jurisdiction of 6 cities including Hangzhou, Jiaxing, Huzhou, Shaoxing, Ningbo and Taizhou;

2. Requirements:

- a. As from 01.09.2017, all ships berthing (excluding one hour after berthing and one hour before departure) at all ports within above applicable area are required to use fuel with sulphur contents not exceeding 0.5%*m/m*,

excluding ships or crafts to be used for military or sporting purpose and fishing boats.

- b. Inland water ships and river-to-sea ships are required to use diesel oil that meet with relevant standard. Ocean ships are required to satisfy relevant standard in accordance with international treaties which China entered into as well as the implementation details issued by Zhejiang authorities.
 - c. Ships are allowed to take alternative measures with equivalent effect such as connecting shore power, using clean energy, arranging after-treatment of exhaust, etc.
3. Local MSA and Communications Department will enhance supervision of calling ships in this respect.

Given above, owners are recommended to take appropriate measures when calling ports including Jiaxing, Ningbo, Zhoushan and Taizhou as from 01 Sep 2017 to ensure satisfaction of relevant requirements and to avoid any delay or penalty to the ship.

Hope the above is of assistance. Any query, please feel free to contact us at pni.bj@huatai-serv.com.

Best regards,



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