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Agenda item 9

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FIRE PROTECTION

Report of the fifty-fourth session of the Sub-Committee

Note by the Secretariat

SUMMARY

Executive summary: The Committee is invited to take action on matters emanating from FP 54 other than matters on which it already took action at MSC 87

Strategic direction: No related provisions

High-level action: No related provisions

Planned output: No related provisions

Action to be taken: Paragraph 2

Related documents: FP 54/25 and FP 54/25/Add.1

1 The Sub-Committee on Fire Protection (FP) held its fifty-fourth session from 12 to 16 April 2010 and its report on that session was circulated under the symbols FP 54/25 and FP 54/25/Add.1. The Committee, at its eighty-seventh session, considered urgent matters emanating from FP 54, on which it was requested to take action, and decided, as recorded in sections 15 (Fire protection) and 24 (Work programme) of its report (MSC 87/26).

2 The Committee, at this session, is invited to:

- .1 approve the draft amendments to chapters 5 to 8 of the FSS Code (paragraphs 3.5.1, 3.15, 3.16 and 3.21 and annex 1^{*});
- .2 approve the draft amendments to SOLAS regulation II-2/20, regarding fixed gas and water-spraying fire-extinguishing systems for vehicle, ro-ro, container and general cargo spaces, with a view to subsequent adoption (paragraph 3.15 and annex 2);
- .3 approve the draft MSC circular on Guidelines for testing and approval of fixed high-expansion foam systems (paragraph 3.16 and annex 3);

* All references are to paragraphs of, and annexes to, the report of FP 54 (document FP 54/25).

- .4 approve the draft MSC circular on Scientific methods on scaling of test volume for fire test on water-mist fire-extinguishing systems (paragraph 3.18 and annex 4);
- .5 approve the draft MSC circular on Amendments to the Revised Guidelines for the approval of equivalent water-based fire-extinguishing systems for machinery spaces and cargo pump-rooms (MSC/Circ.1165), concerning redundant means of pumping and ceiling and bilge nozzles (paragraph 3.20 and annex 5);
- .6 approve the draft MSC circular on Revised Guidelines for the approval of fixed water-based local application fire-fighting systems for use in category A machinery spaces (MSC/Circ.913) (paragraph 3.22 and annex 6);
- .7 approve the draft amendments to SOLAS regulation II-2/10.5.6.3.1, with a view to subsequent adoption (paragraph 3.23 and annex 2);
- .8 adopt the draft MSC resolution on Amendments to the Guidelines for the application of plastic pipes on ships (resolution A.753(18)) (paragraph 4.7 and annex 7);
- .9 instruct the COMSAR, NAV and SLF Sub-Committees to consider the draft interpretations, set out in annex 4 to document FP 54/WP.3, that fall under their purview and provide the outcome of their considerations to the FP Sub-Committee for coordination purposes (paragraph 8.9.2);
- .10 approve the draft MSC circular on Unified interpretation of chapter 12 of the FSS Code (paragraph 10.8 and annex 11);
- .11 note the Sub-Committee's consideration of matters related to the recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships and its request to extend the target completion year for this planned output (paragraph 17.16);
- .12 approve the draft amendments to SOLAS regulation II-2/9, concerning fire integrity of bulkheads and decks separating adjacent spaces of ro-ro spaces for passenger ships carrying not more than 36 passengers and cargo ships, with a view to subsequent adoption, and note that the amendments should apply to new ships only (paragraph 18.2 and annex 13); and
- .13 approve the report in general.
