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Ports and Yachting Directorate

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To:

Ship Owners and Operators

**Bunker Operators** Ship Agents Ship Masters

Marine Terminal Operators Marine Facility Operators

Compliance with Part III of the Dangerous Cargo Ships, Marine Terminals and Facilities and Bunkering Regulations (S.L. 499.12)

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, hereby brings to your attention the requirements of Part III - Bunker Supply Barges and Bunker Receiving Ships of the Dangerous Cargo Ships, Marine Terminals and Facilities and Bunkering Regulations (S.L. 499.12).

Transport Malta will be enforcing Part III of these Regulations with immediate effect. In this respect, the requirements of these Regulations are to be fully complied with at all times during all bunkering operations in the interest of further safeguarding the marine environment and mitigate the effects of pollution.

Transport Malta further reminds you that the prime obligation, responsibility and consideration of any cargo, ship and bunker barge Master and owner, marine terminal or facility operator and cargo interests, shall be the safety of life, the prevention of pollution to the marine environment, the effective and efficient control of such pollution and the protection of the property of others.

In the event where these provisions are not fully complied with, bunkering operations will be immediately suspended, without prejudice to any other legal action that may be taken for such non-compliance. Follow up inspections, that will incur a charge, will also be carried out in order to determine compliance.

Capt. David Bugeja Chief Officer

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