

ANNEX 3

RESOLUTION MEPC.142(54)

Adopted on 24 March 2006

**AMENDMENTS TO THE GUIDELINES FOR THE APPLICATION OF THE REVISED
MARPOL ANNEX I REQUIREMENTS TO FLOATING PRODUCTION, STORAGE
AND OFFLOADING FACILITIES (FPSOs) AND FLOATING STORAGE UNITS (FSUs)
(Resolution MEPC.139(53))**

THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 38(a) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (the Committee) conferred upon it by international conventions for the prevention and control of marine pollution,

NOTING resolution MEPC.139(53) by which the Committee adopted Guidelines for the application of the revised MARPOL Annex I requirements to Floating Production, Storage and Offloading facilities (FPSOs) and Floating Storage Units (FSUs),

HAVING CONSIDERED proposed amendments to the Guidelines concerning the applicability of new regulation 12A of MARPOL Annex I on oil fuel tank protection to FPSOs and FSUs,

1. ADOPTS the Amendments to the Guidelines for the application of the revised MARPOL Annex I requirements to Floating Production, Storage and Offloading facilities (FPSOs) and Floating Storage Units (FSUs), the text of which is set out in the Annex to the present resolution; and
2. INVITES Member Governments to give due consideration to the Guidelines, as amended, when implementing the requirements prescribed in regulation 12A of the revised MARPOL Annex I.

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1 The table in annex 1 to the Guidelines for the application of the revised MARPOL Annex I requirements to FPSOs and FSUs is amended as follows:

.1 *Insert an additional row below regulation 12 as follows:*

12A	Oil fuel tank protection	Applies to new purpose built FPSOs and FSUs only excluding the requirements of paragraph 6. However, when undertaking any voyage away from the operating station for whatever purpose, the double bottom oil fuel tanks are to be empty unless they are in compliance with the requirements of paragraph 6.
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.2 *Amend row relating to regulation 37 to read as follows:*

37.1 – 37.3	SOPEP	Applies in respect of SOPEP. However, contingency plan in accordance with requirements of OPRC Art 3(2) may be accepted under UI 48 as meeting this requirement. In such cases a separate SOPEP in accordance with the MARPOL format is not required. This acceptance of the contingency plan does not apply to a disconnectable FPSO/FSU unless that plan remains applicable when the FPSO/FSU is not connected to the riser.
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.3 *Insert an additional row below regulation 37 as follows:*

37.4	Access to stability and residual strength calculation programmes	Applicable
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2 In the record of construction and equipment for FPSOs and FSUs, new section 3A is added as follows:

“3A. Oil fuel tank protection (regulation 12A)

3A.1 The ship is required to be constructed according to regulation 12A and complies with the requirements of:

paragraph 7 or 8 (double side construction)

paragraphs 6 and either 7 or 8 (double hull construction)

paragraph 11 (accidental oil fuel outflow performance).

3A.2 The ship is not required to comply with the requirements of regulation 12A. ”
