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**UNIFIED INTERPRETATIONS OF REGULATIONS 1.23 AND 36.2.10
OF MARPOL ANNEX I**

1 The Marine Environment Protection Committee, at its seventy-first session (3 to 7 July 2017), approved unified interpretations of regulations 1.23, concerning the deadweight to be stated on certificates, and 36.2.10, concerning terminal hose flush water, of MARPOL Annex I (MEPC 71/17, paragraphs 9.10 and 10.7 and annex 20), as attached at the annex hereto.

2 Member Governments are invited to apply the annexed unified interpretations to MARPOL Annex I and bring them to the attention of all parties concerned.

ANNEX

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Regulation 1 – Definitions

Deadweight to be stated on certificates

Interpretation of regulation 1.23

Even-keel hydrostatics should be used to determine the regulatory deadweight to be entered on relevant statutory certificates.

Regulation 36 – Oil Record Book Part II – Cargo/Ballast operations

Terminal hose flush water

Interpretation of regulation 36.2.10

When the master of an oil tanker agrees to accept terminal hose flush water from a Single Point Mooring (SPM) or a Conventional Buoy Mooring (CBM), that flush water should be categorized as the disposal of residues under regulation 36.2.10. Appropriate entries should be made under Item J of Part II of the Oil Record Book. The following are examples of how these entries should be made:

- .1 At the load port where the flush water is received by the tanker, use the suggested wording for remarks:

(J) 55 At the request of (terminal xxxx), terminal line flush water (seawater) has been loaded into the ship's xxx tank
56 xxx m³ flush water
57.4 Transferred from terminal xxxx line/hoses. Total quantity in xxx tank m³;

and

- .2 At the discharge port where the flush water is disposed of by the tanker:

(J) 55 xxx tank
56 xxx m³, quantity retained in tank: xxx m³
57.1 a quantity of xxx m³ terminal line flush water received at the loading port terminal (xxx) was disposed/transferred to terminal xxx facility.