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Notice to MEO CL-III (CEO) (NCV) Holders

Subject: - Representation of MEO CI-III (CEO) (NCV) holders for endorsement of their CoC for 8000 kW propulsion power.

The Directorate has received many representations from MEO CI-III (CEO) (NCV) holders seeking endorsement for 8000 kW propulsion power on MEO CI-III (CEO) (NCV) certification based on experience but without appearing examination. On examining the issue and in view of the following classification, the Directorate cannot exceed to this request.

(a) All MEO NCV Grade Certificates are issued after assessing the competency of seafarer based on the prescribed syllabus for the vessels having propulsion power less than 3000 kW and in line with the STCW Convention requirement.

Therefore, candidates assessed for propulsion power less than 3000kW are not eligible for any other higher power certification without appearing examination prescribed for higher propulsion power certification.

Hence the Directorate has failed to understand the logic of seeking endorsement for propulsion power of 8000 kW, when candidates are not assessed for this propulsion power.

There is a separate examination for Certificate of Competency for propulsion power of 8000 kW (see STCW 2010 Training Circular 18 to 25). Interested candidates may appear this examination for obtaining CoC for the propulsion power of 8000 kW.

Therefore, request for endorsement up to 8000 kW on the existing MEO NCV Grade Certificates cannot be accepted.

- (b) Nevertheless, the present prescribed minimum manning scales allow holders of NCV certificates on the engineering side to work on RSV and coastal vessels powered by main propulsion machinery having propulsion power up to 8000 kW.
- (c) The decision to allow holder of MEO CI-III (SEO) (NCV) CoC with one year experience to act as CEO has been taken in consultation with the ship-owners due to non-availability of sufficient number of MEO CI-III (CEO) (NCV) holders. Furthermore, the ICCSA has number of times represented that sufficient number of MEO CI-III (CEO) (NCV) holders are not available in the market. Therefore, if any MEO-III (CEO) (NCV) holder is not able to get job, may approach ICCSA with intimation to the Directorate. Allowing MEO CI-III (SEO) (NCV) holder with experience to act as CEO is a temporary arrangement till sufficient MEO CI-III (CEO) (NCV) holders are available.

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