MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION AND

COMMUNICATIONS NOTICE

Subject: The adoption based on Article 14.1.3 and Article 4 of Annex VI "Regulations for Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships" under "International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL)": Foreign vessels and flag ships sailing in international routes shall utilize low sulfur fuel oil (sulfur-bearing not more than 0.5% by weight), or equipment or alternative fuels that achieve the equivalent effect of emission reduction when entering into international commercial port area under the jurisdiction of the Republic of China shall be adopted and take effect on 1st January, 2019.

Based on: Article 75 of the Commercial Port Law.

Announcement:

- 1. This case was the MEPC.280(70) resolution passed by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) at its 70th meeting in October 2016, to amend Article 14.1.3 of Annex VI "Regulations for Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships" under "International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL)". In order to protect the ecological and marine environment of the earth, starting from 1st January, 2019, foreign vessels and flag ships sailing in international routes shall utilize low sulfur fuel oil (sulfur-bearing not more than 0.5% by weight), or any appliances, devices, and alternative fuels that meet the requirements of the Convention standards and achieve the equivalent effect of emission reduction when entering into international commercial port area under the jurisdiction of the Republic of China (refer to the attachment).
- 2. The enclosed document is the main ship control requirements based on Article 14.1.3 and Article 4 of Annex VI "Regulations for Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships" under "International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL)".