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NEW EDITION OF IHO PUBLICATION S-65
ENC Production Guidance

- References:
- a) Circular Letter 108/2007 dated 21 November - *ENC Consistency - S-65*
 - b) Circular Letter 11/2007 dated 30 January - *10th WEND Meeting and 2nd ECDIS Stakeholders Forum*
 - c) Circular Letter 85/2005 dated 31 August - *Revision of the WEND Principles*
 - d) Circular Letter 91/2004 dated 23 December - *ENC Production Guidance - IHO Publication S-65, Edition 1.0*

Dear Hydrographer,

1 Reference a) reported that the 19th CHRIS Meeting (Rotterdam, Netherlands, November 2007) had endorsed a revised version of "*Recommendations for Consistent ENC Encoding*" and had agreed that they would be included as an Annex to S-65 - *ENC Production Guidance*, as part of a new edition of this IHO publication.

2 A new edition 1.1 of S-65 has now been prepared, which incorporates the agreed "*Recommendations for Consistent ENC Encoding*" as Annex A. The new edition also includes the changes made to the WEND Principles - IHO Technical Resolution K2.19 - since the previous edition [see references b) and c)].

3 Edition 1.1 of S-65, dated April 2008, which supersedes Edition 1.0 announced in reference d), is available from the IHO website (www.iho.int > Publications > Download List). French and Spanish versions are being prepared and will be posted on the IHO website as soon as they are ready.

4 The Directing Committee is grateful to the UKHO, in particular Mr. Richard Carpenter, for the valuable assistance provided in preparing this new edition.

5 As mentioned in reference a), the CHRIS has acknowledged that there are various regional initiatives currently underway that may further refine the recommendations contained in this new edition of S-65.

On behalf of the Directing Committee
Yours sincerely,

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