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IHO PUBLICATION - S-66
FACTS ABOUT ELECTRONIC CHARTS AND CARRIAGE REQUIREMENTS

Reference: IHB Circular Letter 64/2008 - *Adoption of "Facts about Electronic Charts and Carriage Requirements" as IHO Publication S-66*

Dear Hydrographer,

1. IHB Circular letter 64/2008 reported that the former RENC publication *Facts about Electronic Charts and Carriage Requirements* had been adopted by Member States as an IHO publication and had been allocated the sequential number S-66. Some revision and updating were required prior to publication.
2. The original text has now been reviewed and updated by the PRIMAR / IC-ENC Joint Information WG (JIWG), who were the original authors and maintainers of the RENC publication, and a general review conducted at the IHB. This progress was reported to the first meeting of the Hydrographic Services and Standards Committee (HSSC) in October 2009.
3. The HSSC then invited the IHB to complete the formatting of the document and publish it as S-66 as soon as possible. This has now been done and Edition 1.0.0 of S-66 has been posted on the IHO website (http://www.iho-ohi.net/iho_pubs/standard/S-66/S-66_edition_1.0.0.pdf).
4. The IHB wishes to thank France, UK and Finland for their participation as JIWG members and for their valuable assistance in the preparation of this new IHO publication.

On behalf of the Directing Committee
Yours sincerely,

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Director