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Dear TSMAD Member,

Two topics.

Firstly, accompanying this letter is a spreadsheet containing details of potential Submitting Organizations to be included in the new IHO Feature Data Dictionary - Hydro Register. These consist of both abbreviated and full titles and have been formulated from member state information on the IHO website. The list contains the HOs who have mostly contributed proposals to TSMAD over many years.

Please can you review this list and where necessary fill gaps, edit entries or suggest any other organization who should be included. Remember, existing rules allow only member states to make proposals, other organizations must submit through a member state.

At this time I do not require details of individuals who will require permission to propose to the Hydro register, you will be requested to apply for this using the web interface at a later date.

Secondly, I have attached a paper on S-101 which outlines potential new content and possible changes to the existing ENC product specification. The paper is mostly based on discussion at the TSMAD meetings in SHOM and the UKHO. I would appreciate it if you would review the paper and send comments by the 31st August. I apologise for the limited time, but this paper will be submitted to CHRIS for discussion during the Stakeholder's Forum and time is running out. Remember, this is only a concept paper and its intention is to encourage readers to think as widely as possible to improve the product and eradicate known failings.

I also intend sending the paper to the CIRM for distribution among OEMs and eventually to user related organizations. It would be appreciated if you all could consider this and forward any suggestions with contact details to me. For example in the UK I am considering the Nautical Institute and the Royal Institute of Navigation. In essence we must reach as wide an audience as possible, hopefully culminating in a workshop sometime early next year.

Regards,

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