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Subject: ENC Coverage for the MACHC Region

Reference: IRCC Action 02/14

Dear Capt. McMichael-Phillips,

- 1. Attending the reference, I am pleased to transmit to you the attached Report of the Electronic Chart Committee (ECC) Working Group 2: **ENC Coverage for the MACHC Region**.
- 2. The MACHC's ECC has worked diligently over the past year to assess the extent of ENC production and distribution and produce this document. The Report was submitted for review at the recent MACHC-XI (November 8-12, Suriname) Meeting where it was endorsed and final updates were incorporated. The report and its annexes reflect the current coverage for Usage Bands 1, 2 and 3 (using the medium scale INT Chart Scheme as the baseline for adequate medium-scale ENC coverage), depict a regional ENC scheme agreed to by the MACHC Member States in a format similar to that of the paper INT Chart Scheme found in Ed. 2.003 of S-11, and contains recommendations for future action.

This Report is a considered a "living document" that will be updated as the ECC continues its work to assess ENC coverage for Usage Bands 4 and 5 in 2011. We trust that this will serve as a valuable input for IHO reporting on global ENC coverage status to the International Maritime Organization. Please direct any questions to the ECC Chair, Katie Ries at: Kathryn.ries@noaa.gov.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure:

ECC Working Group 2 Report: ENC Coverage for the MACHC Region

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