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PPA MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
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TO All PDOs/PMOs, Harbor Pilots/Pilots' Associations
Shipping Companies/Agents, Cargo Handlers and
Others Concerned

SUBJECT **Ship to Shore Communications System**

With the advent of modern communications devices, which greatly improved communications between parties, the filing and submission of the Application of Berth and the Notice of Arrival with the Authority is hereby supplemented with the following guidelines

- 1 Vessels, approaching a distance of not less than twelve (12) nautical miles from the port, shall communicate its arrival to the Harbor Master or Berthing Officer of the baseport or terminal port through VHF radio (Channel 16 - International Marine Channel), if that port is provided with a radio station or via the Harbor Pilots' station, who in turn will relay the information immediately to concerned PPA personnel by messenger or landline telephone
- 2 In the absence of a VHF/radio station, the vessel's Master shall call the Authority by mobile cellular phone direct to the Harbor Master or Berthing Officer of the baseport or terminal port concerned
- 3 Vessels calling at the Port of Manila shall communicate with the Harbor Master or Berthing Officer of the PMO concerned via VHF or mobile cellular phone, when the vessel is approaching the North Channel or the South Channel of Corregidor Island
- 4 As soon as the Vessel Traffic Management System (VTMS) Project in the Port of Manila is operational, vessels fitted with a Universal Automatic Identification System Transponder shall activate this device upon approaching Corregidor Island

VISION

By 2010 PPA shall have met the international standards in port facilities and services in at least ten (10) ports in support of national development

MISSION

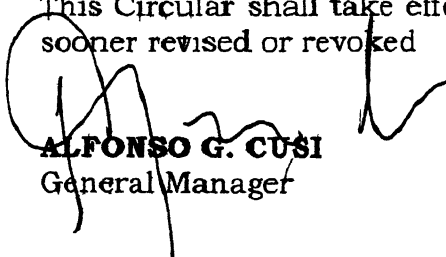
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- 5 The official telephone numbers of both landline and mobile cellular phone of the Harbor Master or Berthing Officer of the baseports and terminal ports shall be properly disseminated to all shipping companies, ship's agents, masters of vessels and the Harbor Pilots for their information/guidance and utilization. In case of change in the phone numbers, the same shall be communicated immediately to the concerned parties
- 6 The following information shall be communicated to the concerned baseports or terminal ports by the approaching vessel
 - 6 1 Current vessel position in terms of coordinates of latitude and longitude
 - 6 2 Names and call signs of the vessel
 - 6 3 Speed and course
 - 6 4 Expected time of arrival
 - 6 5 Draft
 - 6 6 Information on cargoes and passengers
 - 6 7 Special or emergency services requirement upon arrival of the vessel, if any
 - 6 8 Other related vessel information necessary and relevant to facilitate vessels' arrival in port
- 7 A list of telephone and cellular phone numbers of all baseports and terminal ports under the PMOs shall be provided to all vessels calling within their areas of jurisdiction
- 8 In its implementation, non-compliance of this guideline shall not serve as violation provided that the ship's owner/agent or representative has relayed the necessary information through other means of communications on a prescribed period
- 9 Pertinent provisions of Article II - *ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE* of PPA Administrative Order No. 13-77 (General Port Regulations), insofar as applicable, shall be implemented and complied with by all concerned.

This Circular shall take effect immediately and shall remain valid unless sooner revised or revoked


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