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**MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT
(CHAPTER 179)**

**MERCHANT SHIPPING (FEES) (AMENDMENT)
REGULATIONS 2017**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 213 of the Merchant Shipping Act, the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore, with the approval of the Minister for Transport, makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Merchant Shipping (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 and come into operation on 1 July 2017.

Amendment of regulation 2

2. Regulation 2 of the Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations (Rg 17) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “paragraphs (3) and (4)” in paragraph (2) and substituting the words “paragraphs (4) and (5)”;
- (b) by deleting the words “item 8” in paragraph (2)(c) and substituting the words “items 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 14”; and
- (c) by deleting paragraphs (3) and (4) and substituting the following paragraphs:
 - “(3) Subject to paragraphs (4) and (5), an owner of a ship that is a tanker of a tonnage set out in the first column of the Third Schedule may, at the option of the owner, pay to the Director the corresponding annual

administrative fee specified in the second column of the Third Schedule in lieu of paying in respect of the ship all or any of the fees specified in the following Parts of the First Schedule:

- (a) Part I;
- (b) items 17 and 18 of Part II;
- (c) items 3, 3A, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 14 of Part III;
- (d) items 1 to 7 of Part IV;
- (e) Part VIII.

(4) If the annual administrative fee under paragraph (2) or (3) for a ship is paid by the owner of the ship after 1 January of any year, the amount payable is to be pro-rated according to the number of months remaining in that year, including the month in which the owner of the ship opts to pay the annual administrative fee.

(5) Any fee specified in paragraph (2)(a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) or (3)(a), (b), (c), (d) or (e), which has been incurred in respect of a ship as at the date on which the owner of the ship opts to pay the annual administrative fee under paragraph (2) or (3) (as the case may be) for the ship —

- (a) if it has been paid as at that date, is not refundable; or
- (b) if it has not been paid as at that date, remains payable.”.

Amendment of regulation 3

3. Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph: