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**IMPLEMENTATION OF SINGAPORE STANDARD FOR BUNKERING SS 600 :
2014 and SS 524 : 2014**

At the 18th Singapore International Bunkering Conference (SIBCON) in Oct 2014, MPA announced that SPRING Singapore and the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) have launched 2 revised standards, the Singapore Standard SS 600 : 2014 – Code of Practice for Bunkering and SS 524 : 2014 – Quality Management for Bunker Supply Chain, to further enhance consistency in practices in the delivery of bunkers for vessels calling at the Port of Singapore.

2 The SS 600 : 2014 sets out guidelines and procedures to ensure that the correct quality and quantity of bunkers are being delivered safely and efficiently. The improved standard includes better controls and safeguards with additional requirements for gauging tanks during a bunkering operation. The changes include the following:

- a. Merging of Chapters 1 and 2 of SS 600 : 2008 and restructuring of the code according to the bunkering processes (pre, during and post);
- b. Clause 4 describes the general requirements and Clause 5 covers detailed processes, procedures, roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders (cargo officer, chief engineer and bunker surveyor (if engaged)).

3 The SS 524 : 2014 put in place a comprehensive quality management system for the bunker supply chain. The improved standard incorporate the latest developments in international quality management systems and practices set out jointly by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). Such alignment is necessary for bunker operations in Singapore to continue to be on par with international benchmarks. Bunker suppliers are required to set up and execute their quality management system based on the requirements of this Singapore Standard as part of the accreditation scheme of bunker supplier in Singapore.

4 From **1 Sep 2015**, all bunker suppliers, bunker craft operators and bunker surveyors are required to comply with the requirements of SS 600 : 2014 and SS 524 : 2014.

5 Shipowners / bunker buyers, charterers, operators and shipping agents are urged to adhere to the requirements and procedures of the latest standards when their vessels call at Singapore for bunkering.

6 The Singapore Standards can be purchased at the following address:

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