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*Paper Comments*

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-EMERALD-2019-037. This file number should be included on the subject line if email is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's internet website (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for website viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549 on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change. Persons submitting comments are cautioned that we do not redact or edit personal identifying information from comment submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-EMERALD-2019-037 and should be submitted on or before January 17, 2020.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>8</sup>

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE****[Public Notice 10977]****Notice of Public Meeting in Preparation for an International Maritime Organization Committee**

The Department of State will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 8, 2020, at the headquarters of the Radio Technical Commission for Maritime Services (RTCM) in Suite 705, 1621 N Kent Street, Arlington, Virginia 22209. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 7th session of the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) Sub-Committee on Navigation, Communication, and Search and Rescue to be held at the IMO Headquarters, United Kingdom, January 15-24, 2020. The agenda items to be considered include:

- Decisions of other IMO bodies
- Routing measures and mandatory ship reporting systems
- Updates to the LRIT system
- Application of the "Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System (IRNSS)" in the maritime field and development of performance standards for shipborne IRNSS receiver equipment
- Recognition of the Japanese regional navigation satellite system Quasi-Zenith Satellite System (QZSS) and development of performance standards for shipborne satellite navigation system receiver equipment
- Revision of the Guidelines for vessel traffic services (resolution A.857(20))
- Consideration of descriptions of Maritime Services in the context of e-navigation
- Updating of the GMDSS master plan and guidelines on MSI Maritime Safety Information (MSI)
- Safety measures for non-SOLAS ships operating in polar waters
- Revision of SOLAS chapters III and IV for Modernization of the GMDSS, including related and consequential amendments to other existing instruments)
- Response to matters related to the Radiocommunication ITU R Study Group and ITU World Radiocommunication Conference
- Revision of the Guidelines on places of refuge for ships in need of assistance (resolution A.949(23))
- Developments in GMDSS satellite services
- Further development of the provision of global maritime SAR services
- Guidelines on harmonized aeronautical and maritime search and rescue procedures, including SAR training matters

- Amendments to the IAMSAR Manual
- Unified interpretation of provisions of IMO safety, security, and environment-related Conventions
- Validated model training courses
- Biennial status report and provisional agenda for NCSR 8
- Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021
- Any other business

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. Upon request to the meeting coordinator, members of the public may also participate via teleconference, up to the capacity of the teleconference phone line. To facilitate the building security process, and to request reasonable accommodation, those who plan to attend should contact the meeting coordinator, George Detweiler, by email at [George.H.Detweiler@uscg.mil](mailto:George.H.Detweiler@uscg.mil), by phone at (202) 372-1566, or in writing at 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE Stop 7418, Washington DC 20593-7418 not later than January 1, 2020, 7 days prior to the meeting. Requests made after January 1, 2020 might not be able to be accommodated. In the case of inclement weather where the U.S. Government is closed or delayed, a public meeting may be conducted virtually. The meeting coordinator will confirm whether the virtual public meeting will be utilized and will provide call in details to those who have registered. Members of the public can find out whether the U.S. Government is delayed or closed by visiting [www.opm.gov/status/](http://www.opm.gov/status/).

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE****[Public Notice 10988]****Notice of Public Meeting in Preparation for International Maritime Organization (IMO) Meeting**

The Department of State will conduct an open meeting at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Thursday, January 23, 2020, in Room 6110-01-C of the Douglas A. Munro Coast Guard Headquarters Building at St. Elizabeth's, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20593. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the seventh session of the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) Sub-Committee on Pollution Prevention and Response (PPR 7) to be held at the IMO Headquarters,

<sup>8</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

United Kingdom, on February 17–21, 2020.

The agenda items to be considered include:

- Adoption of the agenda
- Decisions of other IMO bodies
- Safety and pollution hazards of chemicals and preparation of consequential amendments to the IBC Code
- Revised guidance on ballast water sampling and analysis
- Revised guidance on methodologies that may be used for enumerating viable organisms
- Amendment of Annex 1 to the AFS Convention to include controls on cybutryne, and consequential revision of relevant guidelines
- Review of the 2011 Guidelines for the control and management of ships' biofouling to minimize the transfer of invasive aquatic species (resolution MEPC.207(62))
- Reduction of the impact on the Arctic of Black Carbon emissions from international shipping
- Development of guidelines for onboard sampling of fuel oil not in use by the ship
- Standards for shipboard gasification of waste systems and associated amendments to regulation 16 of MARPOL Annex VI
- Review of the 2015 Guidelines for exhaust gas cleaning systems (resolution MEPC.259(68))
- Evaluation and harmonization of rules and guidance on the discharge of liquid effluents from EGCS into waters, including conditions and areas
- Development of amendments to MARPOL Annex VI and the NO<sub>x</sub> Technical Code on the use of multiple engine operational profiles for a marine diesel engine
- Development of measures to reduce risks of use and carriage of heavy fuel oil as fuel by ships in Arctic waters
- Review of the IBTS Guidelines and amendments to the IOPP Certificate and Oil Record Book
- Revision of MARPOL Annex IV and associated guidelines to introduce provisions for record-keeping and measures to confirm the lifetime performance of sewage treatment plants
- Follow-up work emanating from the Action Plan to address marine plastic litter from ship
- Unified interpretation to provisions of IMO environment-related conventions
- Biennial agenda and provisional agenda for PPR 8
- Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021

- Any other business
- Report to the Marine Environment Protection Committee

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. Upon request to the meeting coordinator, members of the public may also participate via teleconference, up to the capacity of the teleconference phone line. Those who RSVP will be notified of the call-in number. To facilitate the building security process, and to request reasonable accommodation, those who plan to attend should contact the meeting coordinator, Ms. Melissa Perera, by email at [Melissa.E.Perera@uscg.mil](mailto:Melissa.E.Perera@uscg.mil), by phone at (202) 372-1446, or in writing at COMDT (CG-OES-3), ATTN: Ms. Melissa Perera, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE, Stop 7509, Washington, DC 20593-7509, not later than January 15, 2020, five business days prior to the meeting. Requests made after January 15, 2020, might not be able to be accommodated. Please note that due to security considerations, two valid, government-issued photo identifications must be presented to gain entrance to the Coast Guard Headquarters building. The building is accessible by taxi, public transportation, and privately owned conveyance (upon request).

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 10985]

### Boundary Waters Treaty of 1909; Fargo, ND Hearing International Red River Board Report on Nutrient Targets

**AGENCY:** International Joint Commission, State.

**ACTION:** Notice of public hearing.

**SUMMARY:** The International Joint Commission Invites Public Comment on Recommendations by the International Red River Board (IRRB) on proposed nutrient concentration objectives and nutrient load targets for the Red River at the boundary between the United States and Canada. Comments will be accepted at a public hearing to be held on January 16, 2020 in Fargo, North Dakota and by mail, email and on-line until February 28, 2020. The IRRB's full report can be found on the IJC website at the following link: [www.ijc.org/what/engagement/public-comment-IIRB-nutrient-2020](http://www.ijc.org/what/engagement/public-comment-IIRB-nutrient-2020). Public Hearing on IRRB's

Report on Proposed Nutrient Water Quality Objectives:

**DATES:** January 16, 2020. Time: 7–9 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Delta Marriott Fargo, 1635 42nd St. SW, Fargo, ND 58103.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sarah Lobrichon (Ottawa), 613-992-5368, [lobrichons@ottawa.ijc.org](mailto:lobrichons@ottawa.ijc.org) or Frank Bevacqua (Washington), 202-736-9024, [bevacqauf@washington.ijc.org](mailto:bevacqauf@washington.ijc.org).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Commission reports on water quality of the Red River as it crosses the boundary pursuant to a reference under Article IX of the Boundary Waters Treaty between the United States and Canada. Commission recommendations to the two federal governments under Article IX References of the Boundary Waters Treaty are not binding and not to be considered decisions of the two federal governments.

The International Red River Board was established by the Commission in part to assist in reporting on the water quality of the Red River as it crosses the boundary and to recommend amendments or additions to the water quality objectives approved by the U.S. and Canadian governments in 1968 when considered warranted by the Commission.

In the 2000s the IRRB identified nutrients as an issue of concern. The Board established a Water Quality Committee to develop recommendations for potential nutrient load allocations and/or targets. At the IRRB's September 2019 meeting the Board agreed to recommend the following nutrient concentration objectives and nutrient load targets for the Red River at the boundary between the U.S. and Canada: Nutrient concentration objective: Total Phosphorus 0.15 mg/L; Total Nitrogen 1.15 mg/L Application: Seasonal Average (April 1–October 30) Nutrient load target: Total Phosphorus 1,400 tonnes/year; Total Nitrogen 9,525 tonnes/year Application: Five year running average

Commissioners will be present to hear comments at the above referenced public hearing in Fargo, North Dakota on January 16, 2020 from 7–9 p.m. A public comment period on the IRRB's report will also be open through February 28, 2020. Public input is essential to the Commission's consideration of a recommendation to the Governments of the United States and Canada.

*The International Joint Commission was established under the Boundary Waters Treaty of 1909 to help the United*