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DEPARTMENT OF MERCHANT SHIPPING
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To all Owners, Managers and Representatives
Of Ships under the Cyprus Flag

Subject: Implementation of EU Harmonising Legislation: The Merchant Shipping (Specific Stability Requirements for Ro-Ro Passenger Ships) Amendment Law of 2006

1. Further to my Circulars No. 11/2005 and 39/2005, I wish to inform you that the *Merchant Shipping (Specific Stability Requirements for Ro-Ro Passenger Ships)(Amendment) Law of 2006,(Law 39(I)/2006)* was enacted for the purpose of transposing into our national legislation (ie the basic Law 48(I)/2005) the relevant European Union Directive 2005/12/EC.

The text of the above Community Directive is available on the European Union website at <http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/> in “Legislation/Directory of Community legislation in force/Transport/Shipping/Maritime Safety”.

2. The *Merchant Shipping (Specific Stability Requirements for Ro-Ro Passenger Ships)(Amendment) Law of 2006*, entered into force on the 24th of March 2006, by virtue of Law 39(I)/2006, published in the Official Gazette No. 4078, Supplement I(I),dated 24.3.2006.

The dual purpose of Law 39(I)/2006 is firstly to transpose into our national legislation the amendment of Annexes I and II of Directive 2003/25/EC and secondly any other future act of the European Union which may amend the provisions and the Annexes of Directive 2003/25/EC, to which the basic Law 48(I)/2005 refers to.

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