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Corrigenda to document MEPC 61/24

1   Paragraphs 4.35 and 4.36 are replaced by the following:

"4.35   The Committee considered document MEPC 61/7/6 (United States) reasoning that complying with fuel sulphur limits in an ECA might introduce unintended safety concerns for older steamships (ships propelled by steam boilers constructed before 1985) and proposing an amendment to regulation 14 of MARPOL Annex VI in order to grant an exemption to those ships from the requirements concerning sulphur oxides set out in the regulation.

4.36   Following discussion, the Committee approved the draft amendments to regulation 14 of MARPOL Annex VI proposed by the United States in document MEPC 61/7/6, as amended, which is set out below, for circulation with a view to adoption at MEPC 62:

A new paragraph 8 is inserted in regulation 14 of MARPOL Annex VI as follows and existing paragraphs 8 to 10 of the regulation are renumbered 9 to 11 accordingly:

"8   Prior to 1 January 2020, the sulphur content of fuel oil referred to in paragraph 4 of this regulation shall not apply to ships operating in the North American area [or the United States Caribbean sea area] as described by the coordinates provided in Appendix VII of this Annex, built on or before [*date of entry into force of the amendment*] that are powered by propulsion boilers that were not originally designed for continued operation on marine distillate fuel or natural gas."""

2   Paragraph 5.47 is replaced by the following:

"5.47   Based on a proposal by the delegation of Brazil, whose statement is contained in annex 5, a number of delegations expressed the view that the energy efficiency regulations could be phased in for ships built in developing countries over a certain time period, e.g., in eight years, to allow the shipbuilding industry in developing countries to adjust."

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