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## EQUIVALENT ARRANGEMENTS UNDER ANNEX I OF MARPOL 73/78

## Notification by the Administration of Norway

1 A notification has been received from the Administration of Norway on the equivalent arrangements accepted under regulation 3(1) of Annex I of MARPOL 73/78.

2 In accordance with regulation 3(2) of Annex I of MARPOL 73/78, the notification is circulated herewith to Parties to the Convention for information and appropriate action, if any.



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Dear Sirs,

## Notification of Equivalency Submitted by Norway, Concerning Carriage of Aviation Turbine and Jet fuels in Gas Carriers. Product grades: JA1, JP-1, JP-4, JP-5 and JP-8 all Finished end Products.

This note is applicable for the following ships only. LPG/C Berge Captain IMO Nr.8910902. LPG/C Berge Challenger IMO Nr. 9002491. LPG/C Berge Clipper IMO Nr. 8917807 and LPG/C Berge Commander IMO Nr 8910897.

Reference is made to regulation 3(1) of Annex I to MARPOL 73/78.

As an extension of the ranges of products accepted under the equivalency given in MEPC/Circ.167 dated 3 June 1986 for carriage of oil products by gas carriers the Norwegian Maritime Administration has accepted carriage also of the above mentioned grades of aviation turbine and jet fuels, which are **finished end products**, by gas carriers not being provided with oil discharge monitoring and control equipment.

The extended range of products accepted for carriage has been given to gas carriers provided with an efficient verified cargo tank stripping system tested to leave product quantities of about 30 liters in the suction well and thus substantially reducing the cargo remaining for removal by ventilation.

The installation and use of such stripping system and a prohibition of use of water for tank cleaning has, for the mentioned products, been accepted as and equivalent to the installation and use of slop tanks, oily water discharge arrangement, oil discharge monitoring and control system normally required for oil tankers.

Yours faithfull

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