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## AMENDMENTS TO THE REVISED STANDARDS FOR THE DESIGN, TESTING AND LOCATING OF DEVICES TO PREVENT THE PASSAGE OF FLAME INTO CARGO TANKS IN TANKERS (MSC/CIRC.677)

- The Maritime Safety Committee, at its seventy-fourth session (28 May to 8 June 2001), noting that ISO standard 15364 "Ships and marine technology Pressure/vacuum valves for cargo tanks" was completed, approved amendments to paragraph 1.2.4 of the Revised standards for design, testing and locating of devices to prevent the passage of flame into cargo tanks in tankers (MSC/Circ.677), as follows:
  - "1.2.4 Devices should be tested and located in accordance with these standards. In addition to these standards, pressure/vacuum valves should comply with ISO standard 15364:2000 "Ships and marine technology Pressure/vacuum valves for cargo tanks"."
- Member Governments are invited to apply the amendments to the Revised standards, in conjunction with regulation II- $2/4^*$  of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, as amended, for devices installed on or after 1 July 2002.
- 3 Member Governments are also invited to bring the annexed amendments to the Revised Standards to the attention of ship designers, ship owners and other parties involved in the design, construction and operation of tankers.

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<sup>\*</sup> Refers to the revised SOLAS chapter II-2 adopted by resolution MSC.99(73).