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1 The Maritime Safety Committee, at its eighty-fifth session (26 November to 5 December 2008), with a view to providing guidance for a relaxation of the explicit requirement for redundancy of safety valves for steam boilers and boiler feed systems, approved a unified interpretation of SOLAS regulation II-1/32.1, as set out in the annex.

2 Member Governments are invited to use the annexed unified interpretation as guidance when applying relevant provisions of SOLAS chapter II-1 and to bring it to the attention of all parties concerned.

ANNEX

UNIFIED INTERPRETATION OF SOLAS REGULATION II-1/32 REGARDING PROVISION FOR A REDUNDANT REQUIREMENT OF SAFETY VALVES FOR STEAM BOILERS AND UNFIRED STEAM GENERATORS

Regulation II-1/32.1 – Steam boilers and boiler feed systems

With respect to the application of SOLAS regulation II-1/32.1, for redundant requirement of safety valves for steam boilers and unfired steam generators, the satisfaction of the Administration that adequate protection against overpressure is provided should be confirmed by carrying out a satisfactory technical risk assessment.
