## ANNEX 15

# **RESOLUTION MSC.181(79)** (adopted on 9 December 2004)

# ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT OF SHIPS CARRYING DANGEROUS CHEMICALS IN BULK, AS AMENDED (BCH Code)

## THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

RECALLING ALSO resolution A.212(VII) by which the Assembly, at its seventh session, adopted the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCHCode), which provides safety requirements for chemical tankers supplementary to the provisions of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended,

RECALLING FURTHER resolution MEPC.20(22) by which the Marine Environment Protection Committee adopted the BCH Code to make it mandatory under MARPOL 73/78,

NOTING resolution MSC.29(61) by which, at its sixty-first session, it adopted the revised BCH Code,

NOTING ALSO resolution MSC.176(79) by which it adopted amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code),

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its seventy-ninth session, amendments to the BCH Code proposed by the Sub-Committee on Flag State Implementation, at its eleventh session, which were approved by the Committee at its seventy-eighth session,

RECOGNIZING the need to bring the approved amendments to the BCH Code into force on the date on which corresponding amendments to the IBC Code enter into force,

1. ADOPTS amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH Code), as amended, the text of which is set out in the Annex to the present resolution;

2. DETERMINES that the said amendments should become effective on 1 January 2007<sup>\*</sup> upon acceptance and entry into force of the corresponding amendments to the IBC Code adopted by resolution MSC.176(79).

<sup>\*</sup> Date of entry into force of the aforementioned amendments to the IBC Code, which is linked to the date of entry into force of the revised Annex II to MARPOL 73/78.

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### APPENDIX

### MODEL FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF FITNESS FOR THE CARRIAGE OF DANGEROUS CHEMICALS IN BULK

1 In the form of the Certificate of Fitness for the Carriage of Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk, the following new section is inserted between the section commencing with the words "This certificate is valid until" and the section commencing with the words "Issued at":

"Completion date of the survey on which this certificate is based: .....". (*dd/mm/yyyy*)

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