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To whom it may concern

IACS at its 47th Council meeting on 10-12 June 2003 discussed and decided on the uniform implementation of UR S25 (Rev.1) to bulk carriers contracted for construction on or after 1 July 2003.

ClassNK also agreed in principle to implement UR S25 (Rev.1) together with the relevant revisions of URs S11 and S17 from 1 July 2003. However due to administrative procedures for changing Classification Rules ClassNK will only be able to implement them from 1 January 2004 as a mandatory requirement under ClassNK's Rules.

In the mean time, however, ClassNK recommend shipowners and shipbuilders to stipulate compliance with the requirements for bulk carriers in their contract for construction on or after 1 July 2003 until ClassNK implements the relevant rules as mandatory application from 1 January 2004.

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