

Subject

Recording engine parameters as required for diesel engines in accordance with MARPOL Annex VI

ClassNK

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To whom it may concern

Reg. 13 of MARPOL Annex VI, concerning Nitrogen Oxide (NO_x), requires that a record book of engine parameters is to be maintained onboard. All changes relative to engine components and settings are to be recorded in the record book as required in accordance with 6.2.3.2 and 6.2.3.3 of the NO_x Technical Code. All adjustments, part replacements and modifications that affect NO_x emissions are to be described in the record book chronologically.

Further, it is clearly stated in 6.2.2.7 of NO_x Technical Code 2008 which shall enter into force on 1 July 2010, that all part replacements, including 'like-for-like' replacements, are to be described in the record book. As this is in line with ClassNK's previous interpretation of the code, no specific changes to handling such modifications or replacements are necessary. However, ClassNK would like to simply remind owners and management companies that whenever adjustments, part replacements (including 'like-for-like' replacements), or modifications affecting NO_x emissions are carried out, those changes are to be described in the record book.

Additionally, although the NO_x Technical File is required to be maintained onboard, there have been numerous reports of cases where the NO_x Technical File has not been maintained onboard. Therefore, please keep in mind that the NO_x Technical File, as well as the record book of engine parameters, is to be maintained onboard along with EIAPP Certificate.

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