



## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS REPORT (January – December 2014)**

### **I. INTRODUCTION**

The year under review presents challenging opportunities for MARINA to improve the lives of the Filipino people by connecting poor communities to the nucleus of progress and firming the position of Filipino seafarers in the international community, and also in strengthening the competitiveness of the Maritime Sector and in supporting and capacitating the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) to become responsible, efficient and competent maritime administration.

In addition, the approval of the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulation of Republic Act 9295, the signing of Republic Act 10635 and the change in MARINA's leadership in Mid - 2013 continuously provided potency to firm - up MARINA's competitiveness and leadership for the maritime industry for 2014.

#### **1. Mandate**

The Maritime Industry Authority develops the Philippine Domestic Shipping, Shipbuilding, Shiprepair and Ship breaking through investment incentives, deregulation of rates/operation, and enhancement of safety standards, compulsory insurance coverage for passenger and cargoes, reasonable fines and penalties and constructive measure for a strong and competitive merchant marine fleet.

Under Executive Order No. 1011, MARINA assumed the quasi-judicial functions of the Board of Transportation (BOT) over the domestic transport.

Executive Order No. 125/125-A, the Maritime Industry Authority shall continue to develop, promote the maritime industry, towards its growth and effective regulation of shipping enterprises and for the national security objectives of the country and for the continuous reservoir of globally competitive seafarers;

Republic Act (RA) No. 10635 established MARINA as the single maritime administration responsible for the implementation and enforcement of the 1978 international convention standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW) Convention for Seafarers, as amended

## 2. Mission and Vision Statement

The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), as an attached agency of the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC), shall be a premier maritime administration in Southeast Asia propelling the Philippine maritime industry to global competitiveness. It shall *“effectively administer an integrated and sustainable maritime industry”* to contribute to national development through the provision of an efficient, safe, secure and sustainable maritime transport system.

Sustained effort and effective implementation of duly accepted standards for maritime safety and security, maritime environment protection, investments promotions complemented by a competent workforce whose core values revolve around integrity, efficiency and professionalism.

## II. KEY POLICY ISSUANCE

With the assumption of several functions under Republic Act 10635, and the MARINA Administrator’s “Maritime Philippines Agenda”, fourteen (19) policy issuances and revisions were approved from January to December 2014, including 30 MARINA Advisories and MARINA Flag State Advisory as follows:

### 1. Implementing Rules and Regulations

Pursuant to its mandate MARINA has issued/amended the following implementing rules and regulations:

- .1 2014 Amendments to the Revised Rules and Regulations Implementing Republic Act No. 9295**, “ An Act Promoting the Development of Philippine Domestic Shipping, Ship Building and Ship Repair and Ship Breaking, Ordaining Reforms in Government Policies Towards Shipping in the Philippines, for Other Purposes;
  - **MARINA Revised Rules of Practice and Procedures**
- .2 Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act 9397**, “An Act Defining Handline Fishing, Providing Effective Regulations therefore and for Other Purposes”;
- .3 Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 10635**, “An Act Establishing the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) as the Single Maritime Administration Responsible for the Implementation and Enforcement of the 1978 International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, as amended and International Agreements or Covenants Related Thereto, otherwise known as the “MARINA STCW Administration Act of 2014”;

## 2. MARINA Circulars

As of December 2014, MARINA has issued and disseminated sixteen (19) new/revised policies/rules and regulations, as follows:

- .1 **MARINA Circular No. 2014-01**, “Adoption and Implementation of the New Management Level Course for MARINA Deck Officers and Management Level Course for Marine Engineer Officers in Accordance with the 2010 STCW Manila Amendments and Adoption of the Updating Course for Management Level Marine Deck Officers and Management Level Marine Engineer Officers Certified under the STCW’78 as amended in 1995; (Issued on 18 February 2014, published on 18 February 2014)
- .2 **MARINA Circular No. 2014-02**, “Institutionalization of the Special Processing Window/Express Lane (SPWEL); (Issued on 09 October 2014, published on 17 October 2014)
- .3 **MARINA Circular No. 2014-03**, “Rules to Govern the Installation and Implementation of Ship Radar Reflector (SRR) onboard ships engaged in Domestic Operations (Issued and published on 05 November 2014)
- .4 **STCW Circular No. 2014-01**, “Rules on the Preparation and Approval of the STCW Circulars”; (Issued and published on 27 August 2014)
- .5 **STCW Circular No. 2014-02**, “Daily Journal of Bridge Watchkeeping Duties and Daily Journal of Engine-Room Watchkeeping Duties”; (Issued and published on 12 September 2014)
- .6 **STCW Circular No. 2014-03**, “Provisional Authority in the Conduct on Written and Practical Assessment of Existing Maritime Assessment Centers”; (Issued and published on 12 September 2014)
- .7 **STCW Circular No. 2014-04**, “Rules on the Accreditation of Instructors, Supervisors and Assessors of Approved Training Programs (ATPs) Conducted by Maritime Training Institutions (MTIs), or As Otherwise Approved by the Administration ”; (Issued and published on 23 September 2014)
- .8 **STCW Circular No. 2014-05**, “Training and Certification of Seafarers for Security-Related Tasks, Duties and Responsibilities on-board Ships; (Issued and published on 23 September 2014)
- .9 **STCW Circular No. 2014-06**, “Rules for the Issuance and Revalidation of Certificates of Proficiency under the Relevant Provisions of Chapter II, III, V and VI of the 2010 Manila Amendments to the International Convention on STCW 1978” (Issued and published on 22 December 2014)

- .10 STCW Circular No. 2014-07**, “ Implementation of the Enhanced Support Level Program for STCW Certification as Ratings Forming Part of a Watch and Ratings as Able Seafarer; (Issued and published on 06 November 2014)
- .11 STCW Circular No. 2014-08**, “Mandatory Minimum Requirements for Examination, Assessment, Licensing and Certification of Officer-in-Charge of a Navigational Watch on Ships of 500 Gross Tonnage or More”; (Issued and published on 14 November 2014)
- .12 STCW Circular No. 2014-09**, “Mandatory Minimum Requirements for Examination, Assessment, Licensing and Certification of Officer-in-Charge of a Engineering Watch (OIC-EW) on Ships of 750 KW Propulsion Power or More; (Issued and published on 14 November 2014)
- .13 STCW Circular No. 2014-10**, “Mandatory Minimum Requirements for Examination, Assessment, Licensing and Certification of Chief Mate on Ships of 500 Gross Tonnage or More” (Issued and published on 14 November 2014)
- .14 STCW Circular No. 2014-11**, “Mandatory Minimum Requirements for Examination, Assessment, Licensing and Certification of Second Engineer Officers (2E) on Ships of 750 Kw Propulsion Power or More; (Issued and published on 14 November 2014)
- .15 STCW Circular No. 2014-12**, “Mandatory Minimum Requirements for Examination, Assessment, Licensing and Certification of Master on Ships of 500 Gross Tonnage or More”; and, (Issued and published on 14 November 2014)
- .16 STCW Circular No. 2014-13**, “Mandatory Minimum Requirements for Examination, Assessment, Licensing and Certification of Chief Engineer Officers on Ships of 750 Kw Propulsion Power or More. (Issued and published on 14 November 2014)

### **3. MARINA Advisories**

MARINA likewise issued thirty (30) MARINA Advisories and one (1) Flag State Administration Advisory for the same period as follows:

- .1 MA No. 2014-01** - Amendment to MARINA Advisory No. 2013-05 Dated May 23, 2013 on the Grant of Provisional Relief in the Form of a Temporary Authority Pending Issuance or Amendment of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) pursuant to Republic Act No. 9295.

Provides notification to all shipowners/ operators that ex-parte filing of motion contesting the grant of provisional relief in the form of a temporary authority pending issuance or amendment of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) shall not be allowed. This serves to amend MARINA Advisory No. 2013-05 dated May

23, 2013 on the grant of provisional relief for the issuance of CPC pursuant to Republic Act No. 9295. (Issued and published on 14 February 2014)

- .2. MA No. 2014-02** - Pilot Testing of the Enhanced Special Processing Window/Express Lane (E-SPWEL) Involving Applications from Ship Acquisition up to Issuance of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC)

Provides notice to all shipowners/ operators on the pilot testing of the Enhanced Special Processing Window/Express Lane (E-SPWEL) by reducing the processing time from 52 working days to 9 working days involving applications from ship acquisition (importation and bareboat charter) up to issuance of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) effective 17 February 2014 to 31 July 2014, applicable only at the MARINA Central Office pursuant to Republic Act No. 9485 otherwise known as the "Anti-Red Tape Act of 2007". Guidelines are provided under MARINA Administrative Order No. 01-14 Series of 2014 dated 27 January 2014. (Issued on 12 February 2014, published on 19 February 2014)

- .3 MA No. 2014-03** - Implementation of the Philippine Seafarers Identification and Record Sheet (SIRS)

Provides notice to all shipping/manning/crewing companies, shipowners, ship managers, and seafarers on the issuance of the Philippine Seafarers Identification and Record Sheet (SIRS) in lieu of the Philippine Seafarer's Identification and Record Books (SIRB) starting 05 March 2014 to 3 Filipino seafarers requiring the same in connection with their immediate deployment which has a one (1) year validity in view of the disruption in the supply and schedule of deliveries of depleted stocks of SIRB. (Issued on 04 March 2014, published on 05 March 2014)

- .4 MA No. 2014-04** - Policy on Regulation V/2 of the 2010 Manila Amendment to the STCW Convention and Its Associated Code

Provides notice to all seafarers, ship management companies, manning agencies, maritime training institutions all other concerned on the indefinite suspension of Annex A of MARINA Circular No. 2013-09 for the Issuance /Revalidation of Certificates of Proficiency (COPs) and cessation on applications for the same regarding the following courses: crowd management; safety training for personnel providing direct service to passengers in passenger spaces; crisis management and human behavior; and passenger safety, cargo safety and hull integrity. This is pursuant to Regulation V/2 of the 2010 Manila Amendment to the STCW Convention and its associated Code applies. (Issued on 06 March 2014, published 11 March 2014)

- .5 MA No. 2014-05** - Mandatory Minimum Requirements for Security-related Training and Instruction for All Seafarers, under Regulations VI/5 and VI/6 of the STCW 1978, as amended

Provides notice to seafarers, maritime education and training institutions (METIs), assessment centers, shipowners, manning agencies, and all concerned on the mandatory minimum requirements for security-related training and instruction of

Ship Security Officers and Seafarers with Designated Security Duties as part of their applications for Certificates of Proficiency (COPs) until December 31, 2014 under Regulations VI/5 and VI/6 of the STCW 1978, as amended respectively. Said requirement is in accordance with the pertinent provisions of Executive Order No. 75, in furtherance of MARINA Advisory No. 2013-25, and agreements by the IMO Sub-Committee on Human Element, Training and Watchkeeping (HTW) on February 17-21, 2014 in London. (Issued on 11 March 2014, published on 14 March 2014)

**.6 MA No. 2014-06 - Marine Deck and Engine Officers Licensure Examination and Certification**

Provides notice to seafarers, maritime education and training institutions (METIs), assessment centers, shipowners, manning agencies, and all concerned that pursuant to Republic Act No. 10635 entitled “An Act Establishing the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) as the Single Maritime Administration Responsible for the Implementation and Enforcement of the 1978 International Convention on Standards, Trainings, Certifications and Watchkeeping, as amended and international agreements or covenants related thereto”, the MARINA assumes the powers, duties and functions of the Philippine Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) on examination and licensing and certification system for Marine Deck and Engine Officers once the law takes effect on 28 March 2014, that is, 15 days from its publication in the Official Gazette and until such time MARINA shall have fully established procedures on the assumption of the former’s functions under RA No. 10635. PRC shall continue the administration of the Licensure Examinations function for Marine Deck (Published on 28 March 2014)

**.7 MA No. 2014-07 - Extension of Provisional Authority to Conduct Written and Practical Assessment at Maritime Assessment Centers (MACs)**

Provides notice to all seafarers, maritime education and training institutions (METIs), assessment centers, shipowners, manning agencies and all concerned on the extension of provisional authority to conduct written and practical assessment at Maritime Assessment Centers (MACs) until 30 August 2014. Said authority was initially granted under MARINA Advisory No. 2013-24 published on 19 November 2013. (Issued on 28 March 2014, published 09 April 2014)

**.8 MA No. 2014-08 - Removal of Validity/ Expiration Date on the Issuance Certificates of Marine Profession (CMP) pursuant to MARINA Circular No. 2012-03**

Provides notice to all seafarers onboard domestic ships that effective 12 March 2014, Certificates of Marine Profession (CMP) issued pursuant to MARINA Circular No. 2012-03 and prior to 04 July 2012 has been removed and are considered expired or invalid. Accordingly, CMPs issued previously shall be treated as if there is no validity date on the certificate so that seafarers need not go to MARINA for the re-issuance of a CMP without expiration date. MARINA shall issue an Identification Card (ID) License with three-year validity once License ID Card Printer is ready. This Advisory took effect last 12 March 2014. (Issued on 08 April 2014, published 30 May 2014)



**.9 MA No. 2014-09 - Extension of Provisional Authority to Conduct Basic and Advanced Tanker Courses**

Provides notice to all seafarers, maritime education and training institutions (METIs), assessment centers, shipowners, manning agencies and all concerned on the extension of provisional authority to conduct basic and advanced tanker courses until 31 July 2014. Said initial authority to Maritime Training Institutions (MTIs) was granted under MARINA Advisory No. 2013-17 dated 16 September 2013 for six (6) months. (Issued on 03 April 2014, published 23 April 2014)

**.10 MA No. 2014-10 - Adoption of Measures to Create Awareness and Prevention of the Middle East Respiratory Syndrome – Corona Virus (MERS-CoV)**

Provides notice to all domestic shipping companies/operators on the adoption of measures to create awareness on and prevent the spread of the Middle East Respiratory Syndrome – Corona Virus (MERS-CoV) among the public pursuant to the instruction of the Office of the President to the Department of Health and other government agencies. (Issued on 21 April 2014, published 29 April 2014)

**.11 MA No. 2014-11 - MARINA's Search for Outstanding Maritime Entities and Individuals (Timonel Award Program)**

Notice to all shipping, shipbuilding, shiprepair companies/entities, maritime training centers, seafarers and others concerned on MARINA's search for Outstanding Maritime Entities and Individuals who have had outstanding and exemplary achievements and remarkable contribution to the maritime industry for the Timonel Award Program. Nomination for the same is until May 23, 2014. (Issued on 30 April 2014, published 10 May 2014)

**.12 MA No. 2014-12 - Extension of the Implementation of MA No. 2013-16, Series of 2013, wherein MARINA's Nationwide Mobile Registration, Licensing, Documentation and Franchising of Motorbancas and Fishing Boats below 35 Gross Tons; and Licensing of Seafarers Manning Such Ships**

Provides notice to all shipowners/operators of unregistered, unlicensed, undocumented, and unfranchised motorbancas and fishing boats, and all concerned on the extension of the implementation of MA No. 2013-16, Series of 2013, wherein MARINA's Nationwide Mobile Registration, Licensing, Documentation and Franchising of Motorbancas and Fishing Boats below 35 Gross Tons; and Licensing of Seafarers manning the said ships effective 01 January 2014 until 31 December 2014. (Issued on 19 May 2014, published on 28 March 2014)

**.13 MA No. 2014-13** - Expiration of Investment Incentives under RA 9295

Provides notice to all shipping companies, shipowners/operators, charterers, shipbuilding, ship repair yards/operators and other maritime entities concerned on the expiration of investment incentives (VAT exemption for the importation and local purchase of passenger and/or cargo vessels of at least 150 tons and above, including engine and spare parts of said vessels; and transport VAT exemption for the importation of life saving equipment, safety and rescue equipment and communication and navigational safety equipment, steel plates and other metal plates including marine-grade aluminium plates, used for transport operations; and VAT exemption for the importation of capital equipment, machinery, spare parts, life-saving and navigational equipment, steel plates ... operated or to be operated in the domestic trade under Republic Act No. 9295 after 30 May 2014. This is within the 10-year affectivity period of the said legislation since 29 May 2004. Accordingly, MARINA shall no longer accept applications or requests for the foregoing investment incentives under the Department of Finance. (Issued on 02 June 2014, published 30 May 2014)

**.14 MA No. 2014-14** - Schedule of Release of Seafarer's Identification and Record Books (SIRBs)

Provides notice to all seafarers, shipping companies/operators and all concerned on the schedule of release of Seafarer's Identification and Record Books (SIRBs) at Counters 1 and 2 of MARINA Central Office for applications with initial release schedules of 1 February – 31 March 2014 (now ready for release) and 1 April – 30 June 2014 (claim starting 16 July 2014) respectively. Expedite processing and release of SIBs at Counter 3 are only allowed to applicant seafarers with scheduled departure within three (3) days of application and upon presentation of confirmed plane ticket and approved POEA contracts and those for visa issuance. (Issued on 25 June 2014)

**.15 MA No. 2014-15** - Waiver of MARINA Filing/ Processing Fees for the Registration, Licensing, and Franchising of Newly-Constructed Motorbancas and/ or Fishing Boats below 35 Gross Tons to Support the Reconstruction and Rehabilitation of Tacloban and Other Areas in Central Visayas and Eastern Philippines Devastated by Typhoon "Yolanda"

Provides notice to shipowners/operators of unregistered, undocumented and unfranchised motorbancas and fishing boats on Waiver of MARINA Filing/ Processing Fees for the Registration, Licensing, and Franchising of Newly-Constructed Motorbancas and/ or Fishing Boats below 35 Gross Tons to Support the Reconstruction and Rehabilitation of Tacloban and Other Areas in Central Visayas and Eastern Philippines Devastated by Typhoon "Yolanda" from July to December 2014. Nationwide MARINA Mobile Registration, Licensing, and Franchising of Motorbancas and/ or Fishing Boats below 35 Gross Tons (MARINA Advisory 2014-12) is also extended. (Issued in July 2014)



- .16 MA No. 2014-16** - Temporary Suspension of the Limitation under Memorandum Circular No. 2011-04 for Highly Specialized Foreign Registered Ships Operating in the National Territory

Provides notice to all domestic shipping companies/operators/ charterers/oil companies/ship agents and all concerned on the temporary suspension of the two-year maximum duration of Special Permit granted to “other types of foreign ships, in particular to the highly specialized ships under Memorandum Circular No. 2011-04. MARINA shall submit a report to the Board after one (1) year from the said suspension and upon conducting a comprehensive review of existing policies, laws, rules and regulations in consultation with stakeholders on granting special permit to highly specialized foreign ships.(Issued on 08 July 2014)

- .17 MA No. 2014-17** - Conduct of the “Train the Simulator Trainer and Assessor Course” (IMO Model Course 6.10) by the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), in cooperation with the Maritime Academy of Asia and the Pacific (MAAP)

Notifies all maritime higher education institutions (MHEIs) on the free “Train the Simulator Trainer and Assessor Course” by MARINA as part of the Administration-approved requirements for simulator instructors and assessors from July to October. The course is intended to augment the capacity of faculty members of CHED-approved MHEIs to fully comply with CMO Nos. 31 and 32, series of 2013. (Issued on 09 July 2014)

- .18 MA No. 2014-18** - Provides notice to all maritime higher education institutions (MHEIs) on the free “Train the Simulator Trainer and Assessor Course” by MARINA as part of the Administration-approved requirements for simulator instructors and assessors from July to October. The course is intended to augment the capacity of faculty members of CHED-approved MHEIs to fully comply with CMO Nos. 31 and 32, series of 2013. (Issued on 09 July 2014)

- .19 MA No. 2014-18** - Measures to Ensure Safety and Orderliness of the Riding Public during the Centennial Celebration of the Iglesia ni Cristo. Provides notice to MARINA regional offices, shipping companies/ shipowners/ operators/ charterers and all concerned on measures to ensure safety and orderliness of the riding public during the Centennial Celebration of the Iglesia ni Cristo on 27 July 2014. (Issued on 10 July 2014)

- .20 MA No. 2014-19** - Requirement for the Acquisition of Fishing Vessels through Local Construction

Provides notice to all fishing companies/ shipowners/ operators and all concerned on the requirement to submit clearance from the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) that the vessel is qualified for the issuance of a new Commercial Fishing Boat License (CFBL) for the acquisition of fishing vessels through local construction. (Issued on 18 July 2014)

**.21 MA No. 2014-20** - Extension of Provisional Authority to Conduct Basic and Advanced Tanker Courses

Provides notice to all seafarers, maritime education and training institutions (METI), assessment centers, shipowners, manning agencies and all concerned on the extension of provisional authority to conduct basic and advanced tanker courses until 12 September 2014. (Issued on 31 July 2014)

**.22 MA No. 2014-21** - Official Closure of Several Seaports in Ukraine

Provides notice to all shipping companies, bareboat charterers, ship managers, masters, seafarers and other concerned on the official closure of several seaports in Ukraine in the cities of Yevpatoria, Feodosia, Yalta, Kerch and Sevastopol effective 15 July 2014 per a Note Verbale by the Ukrainian Embassy in United Kingdom dated 21 July 2014 (Issued on 12 August 2014)

**.23 MA No. 2014-22** - Measures to Prevent Ebola Virus in the Philippines

Provides notice to all shipping companies, bareboat charterers, ship managers, masters, seafarers and other concerned on the measures to prevent the spread of Ebola virus in the Philippines based on a heightened alert advisory issued by the Bureau of Quarantine in seaports and airports dated 04 and 05 August 2014 (Issued on 29 August 2014)

**.24 MA No. 2014-24** - Pilot testing of MARINA Online Appointment System for Processing of Seafarers Identification and Record Book (SIRB) and STCW Certificates

Provides notice to all shipping/ manning/ crewing companies, shipowners, ship-managers, seafarers and other concerned on the pilot testing of MARINA Online Appointment System for processing of Seafarers Identification and Record Book (SIRB) and STCW Certificates starting 01 October 2014 as part of MARINA's reform programs to improve its frontline services (Issued on 25 September 2014).

**.25 MA No. 2014-25** - Amendment to MARINA Advisory No. 2014-19 Requirement of BFAR Clearance in the Acquisition of Fishing Vessels through Local Construction

Notifies all fishing companies/shipowners/ operators and all other concerned the amendment limitation to MARINA Advisory No. 2014-19 requirement of BFAR clearance in the acquisition of fishing vessels through local construction as above 3GT, thereby requiring fishing vessels of 3GT and below to secure prior clearance from the concerned Local Government Unit (Issued on 02 October 2014).

**.26 MA No. 2014-26** - Cancellation of Certificate of Marine Profession Examination for the Month of December 2014

Provides notice to all domestic seafarers and other concerned on the cancellation of Certificate of Marine Profession Examination in December 2014. The examination shall resume in January 2015 (Issued on 20 November 2014).

**.27 MA No. 2014-27** - Submission of False Sea Service Record of Shipping Companies

Provides notice to all shipping companies on the accurate statement of sea service record of their seafarers in the Certificate of Sea Service and Seafarer's Identification and Record Book (Issued on 28 October 2014)

**.28 MA No. 2014-28** - 2015 Amendments to the International Safety Management (ISM) Code for the Safe Operations of Ships and for Pollution Prevention

Notifies all shipping/ manning/ crewing companies, shipowners, shipmanagers, seafarers and other concerned on the amendments to the ISM Code for the Safe Operations of Ships and for Pollution Prevention (Issued on 02 December 2014)

**.29 MA No. 2014-29** - 2015 Entry into Force of the Amendments to the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Conventions

Notifies all shipowners, ship managers, company masters and crewmembers of Philippine Registered Ships engaged in the overseas trade, Recognized Organizations, and other concerned maritime entities on the entry into force of amendments to "Adoption of the Code for Recognized Organizations", SOLAS Convention, Fuel Oil Sulphur Limit in Emission Control Areas (ECAs), Nairobi Wreck Removal Convention, 1996 LLMC Protocol and MARPOL (Issued on 04 December 2014).

**.30 MA No. 2014-30** - Passenger and Cargo Rates Adjustment due to Falling Oil Prices

Notifies and enjoins all domestic shipping companies/ operators and other concerned to reasonably adjust their passenger and cargo rates in view of the series of roll backs in the prices of petroleum products in the local and global markets (Issued on 29 December 2014).

#### **4. Flag State Advisory**

**.1 FSAA No. 2014-01** - Information about Ebola Cases in West Africa

Notifies all shipowners/ bareboat charterers/ ship operators/ ship managers/ manning agencies on WHO reports of Ebola cases in Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia in West Africa and urgent circulation of recommended preventive measures from the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), International Transport Workers' Federation (ITWF) and International Maritime Employers' Committee (IME) (Issued on 06 August 2014)

### III. PLANS/PROGRAMS/STRATEGIES IMPLEMENTED

MARINA implemented the following plans/programs/strategies for 2014.

#### 1. Implementation of RA 10635, designating the MARINA as the Single Maritime Administration for STCW in the Philippines

- Issued appropriate advisories, MARINA/STCWO Circulars to all affected stakeholders relating to new policies relating to the issuance of Certificates of Proficiency (COP); Accreditation of STCW Training Courses and Instructors; and, Inspection and Monitoring of Maritime Schools and Training Centers and quality audit of under the National Quality Standards System;
- Completed the delivery of the following training courses:
  - a. 2- Week Intensive Familiarization on the STCW Convention 1978, as amended and conducted by a foreign expert in Manila;
  - b. ISO 9001: 2008 System Documentation;
  - c. Basic Training on Examination of Questioned Documents and Fraud and Forgery Detection;
  - d. ISO 9001:2008 Lead Auditors' Training Course;
  - e. ISO 9001:2008 Internal Auditors' Training Course;
  - f. ISO 9001:2008 Familiarization Course;
  - g. Series of Calibration Workshops on the Outcomes Based Monitoring Instruments for Maritime Training Institutions and Maritime Training Centers;
  - h. Attendance of STCW technical staff to various STCW related training courses to accredited training service providers;
- Nominated 5 qualified marine officers to participate in the 3- month Maritime Instructors' Training Scheme in Japan under the auspices of the Seamen Employment Center of Japan (SECOJ)
- Transfer of the Seafarers' Certification and Development Division (SCDD), the office responsible for the issuance of the Seafarers' Identification and Record Book (SIRB), to SM Manila before the end of December 2014;
- Launched the on-line appointments application for the issuance of the application for the issuance of SIRB and COP on 25 September 2014.
- Adoption of two (2) shifts for the issuance of COPs to qualified seafarers where MARINA commences its official business at 5:30 in the morning and closes down at 10:00 in the evening with " No Break" Policy.

## 2. Expansion/Extension of Incentives for the Maritime Industry

*Expiration of the availment of incentives under Republic Act No. 9295 the MARINA*

- Submitted to the DOTC draft legislation amending specific provisions of RA 9295 to extend the availment of incentives;

*Harmonization/ Alignment of all Incentives under RA 9295, RA 9301, EO 226, EO 909 and PD 760, as amended*

- Submitted to the DOTC draft legislation relating to the harmonization/ alignment of incentives under RA 9295, RA 9301, EO 226, EO 909 and PD 760, as amended.

*Extension of the Period of Availment for the Exemption from Income Tax under Section 2 of RA 9301*

- Submitted to the DOTC draft legislation relating to the Extension of the Period of Availment for the Exemption from Income Tax under Section 2 of RA 9301

## 3. 2014 Day of the Filipino Seafarer, 25 June 2014

- Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 183 (2011), the MARINA spearheaded the national celebration of the 2014 Day of the Filipino Seafarer in order to recognize and appreciate the great contribution of Filipino Seafarers in the national development agenda of the country and for “moving the world” considering that Filipino seafarers comprise the largest and single nationality manning or working on-board various ocean going ships.

## 4. Anti-corruption, transparent and accountable governance

### 1. Pilot-Testing of the Enhanced Special Processing Window/Express Lane (E-SPWEL)

In compliance with the requirement of Republic Act No. 9485, otherwise known as the “Anti-Red Tape Act of 2007” (ARTA), and in line with MARINA’s thrust to institute reforms in the delivery of frontline services and encourage investments in the domestic shipping industry, MARINA issued Administrative Order (AO) No. 2014-02 extending the pilot-testing of SPWEL otherwise known as the pilot-testing of Enhanced-SPWEL from 17 February 2014 to 31 July 2014. It may be recalled that Pursuant to MARINA AO 2013-03 issued on 15 April 2013, SPWEL covers the process from ship acquisition to the issuance of authority to operate in the domestic trade or known as Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC). Pilot testing was started in 03 June 2013 at the MARINA Central Office until September 2013 covering applications that meet the Qualification Criteria/Conditions under the AO. Based on the result of the Assessment, there was no applicant which availed of the facilities of SPWEL. An assessment was conducted in October and November 2013 which findings revealed four factors that hampered its implementation:

1. No conversion/alteration of ship
2. Gray areas in the guidelines
3. Compliance with the documentary requirements
4. Exclusivity of homeport in the first five (5) years

With the issuance of E-SPWEL, MARINA adopts a single window, a simultaneous processing of ship documents and authority to engage in domestic trade, making the transaction faster and easier. This will also shorten the processing of permits to acquire ships and operate them in the Philippines from 52 to only 9 working days. As of End of June 2014, there were three (3) companies involving three (3) ships who have availed of the facilities.

## **5. Poverty reduction and empowerment of the poor and vulnerable**

MARINA as the Flag State Administration and as part of its commitment as a responsible member of the IMO/ILO, persistently worked for the country's compliance with the IMO/ILO Conventions and Codes to ensure the continuous employment of our seafarers and maintain the country's position as the premier supplier of qualified and competent seafarers in the world, promote maritime safety and protection of the marine environment. The following activities were undertaken by MARINA for the period under review:

- a. Enactment of Republic Act 10365** - "An Act Establishing the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) as the Single Maritime Administration and Enforcement of International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW) for Seafarers, as amended, and international agreements and covenants related thereto". Under this Act, MARINA assumes "all powers and functions of the PRC, CHED, TESDA, DOH and NTC, relative to the issuance, validation, verification, correction, revocation or cancellation of certificates of competency, endorsement or cancellation of certificates of competency, endorsement, proficiency and documentary evidence required of all seafarers and all such other matters pertaining to the implementation of the oversight in the implementation of the STCW Convention 1978, as amended."

A Technical Working Group (TWG) with the concerned government agencies and other stakeholders was likewise created. The groups were primarily tasked to formulate and craft the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA 10635. This will help ensure that the process for the issuance of Certificates of Competency (COCs) and Certificates of Proficiency (COPs) and other documents under the STCW Convention shall be efficient and convenient for seafarers.

The MARINA completed the draft of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) 10635.



#### **b. Modernization of Motobancas/Small Ships**

In order to modernize motorbancas and small ships, MARINA coordinated with the Office of Transport Cooperative (OTC) on the establishment of Motorbancas Transport Cooperatives (MTCs). A campaign on its establishment was conducted in tourist destination areas such in Siargao and Dinagat Islands in Surigao, Bolinao and Hundred Islands in Pangasinan and Guimaras and Boracay Islands in Western Visayas. The result of the campaign was presented by MARINA and OTC, during a meeting with Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) for a loan/financing package of the identified cooperatives. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between MARINA, OTC and DBP was drafted for the development of these cooperatives and the provision of financial/loan packages that will suit to their needs.

#### **c. Conducted Review/Assessment of Existing Laws on Incentives**

##### **1. Amendment of Pertinent Provisions of RA 9295**

A House bill on the amendment of pertinent provisions of RA 9295 on the extension of incentives under RA 9295 was drafted and submitted to DOTC on the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of May 2014.

##### **2. Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Executive Order 909**

MC on the Rules and Regulation to Implement EO 909 entitled “Encouraging Investments in Newly Constructed Ships or Brand New Vessels in the Domestic Shipping was approved in the MARINA-MANCOM Meeting held on 13 June 2014. Said draft was for submission to the MARINA Board in its next meeting.

##### **3. Position Paper on the Inclusion of Activities to BOI-IPP**

A position paper was submitted to the Board of Investments (BOI) for the inclusion of Domestic Shipping, Shipbuilding and Ship repair and Overseas Shipping in the 2014 List of BOI - Investment Priority Plan.

#### **6. Rapid, inclusive and sustained economic growth**

In support to the DOTC’s socio-economic impact objective of “improved accessibility, mobility and interconnectivity (seamless), and safe, secure, efficient and sustainable transportation system”, MARINA has continued to implement the following programs and projects:

##### **a. Road-RORO Terminal System (RRTS) under OP-AO 123 and EO 170 A/ 170**

For 2014, all twelve (12) identified routes in the Western, Central and Eastern Nautical Highway of the RRTS, have been provided with shipping services as follows:

ROAD RORO TERMINAL SYSTEMS (RRTC)	No. of Identified Routes		No. of Operator		No. of Vessels	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
1. Western Nautical Highway	4	4	17	12	40	37
2. Central Nautical Highway	5	5	12	7	24	126
3. Eastern Nautical Highway	3	3	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	12	12	29	19	64	163

There are a total of 29 shipping companies operating in the RRTS which are all grantees of Certificates of Public Convenience (CPCs) and having a combined fleet of 163 vessels.

## 7. Employment Generation/Poverty Alleviation Program

- **Mobile Registration, Licensing, Documentation and Franchising of Motorbancas and Fishing Vessels below 35 GT.**

As part of MARINA's commitment under the Joint Memorandum Circular No. 1 signed by the MARINA, BFAR, NTC and PCG and issued on 25 June 2013 providing the Guidelines in the Conduct of Mobile Registration, Licensing, Documentation and Franchising of Motorbancas and Fishing Boats below 35 GTs; and Licensing of Seafarers Manning such Ships, MARINA issued MARINA Advisory 2014-12 extending the implementation of MARINA Advisory 2013-16, effective 01 January 2014 until 31 December 2014. Pursuant to this MA, MARINA qualified trainers were deployed in the following locations to conduct Modified Basic Safety Training (MBST), and Boat Captain (BC) licenses, MBST certificates and Seafarer's Identification Books (SIBs) were issued:

Location	Date of MBST Training	Number of Participants	Vessels Registered
Basco, Batanes	18 January 2014	40	
Puerto Princesa, Palawan	13-15 February 2014	124	
Bulacan, Bulacan	April 2014		8
Obando, Bulacan			12
MARINA Central Office	10 April 2014	8	
San Jose, Occidental Mindoro	21-24 April 2014	64	
Masinloc & Sta. Cruz, Zambales	May 2014		15
Subic, Zambales			29
Mauban, Quezon	13 May 2014	111	
Naujan, Oriental Mindoro	29 May 2014	102	
Masantol, Pampanga	23-27 September	85	35

Casiguran & Dinalungan, Aurora	June 2014		4
Baler, Quezon	14-18 October	13	9
Dingalan, Aurora			22
Masinloc, Zambales	21-22 November	54	
Celtect College, Pampanga	1 January 2014	153	
Celtect College, Olongapo	25 January	182	
Dr. Yangas Colleges	22 February	199	
PMMA	23 August 2014	196	
Laguna Maritime	4 October 2014	99	
NYK, TGD	18 October	118	
MAAP	13-14 December 2014	365	

- **Modernization of Motorbancas and Establishment of Transport Cooperatives**

Coordination with Office of the Transport Cooperative (OTC) for the establishment of Motorbancas Transport Cooperatives (MTCs). A campaign on its establishment was conducted in tourist destination areas such in Siargao and Dinagat Islands in Surigao, Bolinao and Hundred Islands in Pangasinan and Guimaras and Boracay Islands in Western Visayas. The result of the campaign was presented by MARINA and OTC, during a meeting with Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) for a loan/financing package of the identified cooperatives.

- **Delivery of Modified Basic Safety Training to Marine Officers of ships below 35 gross tonnage**

MARINA Technical Personnel were trained in Modified Basic Safety Training and were deployed in various parts of the country to bring government services closer to the people. From January to December 2014, around 1,319 seafarers attended the MBST training without any cost for them.

#### IV. INTERANATIONAL AND REGIONAL RELATED UNDERTAKINGS

##### 1. **Regional Workshop for Asia on the Implementation of the IMO Member State Audit Scheme (IMSAS) 6-11 October 2014, Jakarta, Indonesia**

- This is a regional workshop where 24 participants from various parts of Asia converged in Jakarta, Indonesia for an inter-active exchange of information necessary to prepare their own respective country for the new IMO audit scheme based on Resolution A. 1067 (28) and Resolution A. 1070 (28) starting 2016.
- The workshop clarified a number of things for the participants. For one, the schedule of IMSAS audit will follow the sequence mentioned in the annex to the document C112./INF.3. However, there is the transition period 2014-2015 where member states to be audited in this period will no longer fall under VIMSAS but not yet on IMSAS as the Framework is still mandatory. The Framework will be mandatory

beginning January 1, 2016. For 2016 onwards, the IMO shall endeavor to audit 20 to 25 countries listed in the annex to document C112/INF.3 where the Philippines is numbered as 146. Countries audited within the transition period are said to still follow the list in the said annex.

- The scope of the audit includes implementation and enforcement of the following IMO instruments:
  1. SOLAS 74 AND Prot 88;
  2. MARPOL 73/78 and Prot 97;
  3. STCW
  4. LL 66 and Prot 88;
  5. Tonnage 69; and
  6. COLREG 72
- In general, non-compliance to the implementation and enforcement of the said instruments and Reso A. 1070(28) is a ground for non-conformity in the performance of Flag State, Coastal State and Port State functions. On the other hand, non-compliance with the recommendatory part of the III Code shall be regarded generally as an observation.

## **2. 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Sub-committee on the Carriage of Cargoes and Containers (CCI1), 8-12 September 2014, IMO Headquarters, London**

This is the first meeting of the CCC, formerly known as the Sub-Committee on Dangerous Goods, Solid Cargoes and Containers (DSC). The list of documents considered by the sub-committee or by its working groups is found in CCC 1/J/2 and annexed to this Report as Annex “2”. This is the sub-committee where the recommendations of the E&T21 were considered in plenary. The Philippine submission was part of the recommendation of the E&T21 to approve the list of individual schedules, including the Philippine iron sinter, was approved by the plenary except that of manganese iron ore fine from Australia. The exception was upon intervention by Cook Island on the process by which that schedule found its way to the E&T21 despite reservation by Brazil, he went so far as suggesting to disapprove the recommendation of the E&T21. Belgium made an intervention not to overturn the report of the E&T21 on the ground of due diligence. Later, Vanuatu, Kiribati, and Liberia supported the Cook Island. Germany, the Netherlands, Spain (Chair of the E&T21) and Australia went along the line of Belgium in supporting the recommendation of the E&T21 be approved except for manganese iron ore fine which need to be further considered by the E&T. E&T will meet as E&T22 on 15-19 September 2014 to edit the individual schedules which will then be submitted to MSC 95 for adoption. By that discussion the Philippine submission to the 3-15 amendment of IMSBC will pass through E&T22 for submission to MSC95 for adoption.

### **3. 79<sup>th</sup> ASEAN COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON SERVICES, 24-26 September 2014, Bali, Indonesia**

- The ASEAN-CCS is a coordinating committee under the ASEAN Economic Community consisting of representatives from the Economic Ministries of the ten (10) ASEAN Member States (AMS). Negotiations on trade in services and the status thereof are being reported and discussed under this committee specifically with respect to AMS' requests/offers to market access and national treatment from other AMS under the four (4) modes of supply, as follows:

Mode 1 – Cross border supply;  
Mode 2 – Consumption abroad;  
Mode 3 – Commercial presence; and  
Mode 4 – Movement of natural persons

- The ASEAN-CCS met back-to-back with its three (3) Sectoral Working Groups and all Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) Committees. The important agenda in the ASEAN-CCS for MARINA are the following:
  1. Status of the 9<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Framework on Services Agreement (AFAS) Package Assessment
  2. Protocol to Implement the 9<sup>th</sup> AFAS Package
  3. Schedules of Commitments for the 9<sup>th</sup> AFAS Package
  4. AFAS Target Threshold for the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> AFAS Package
  5. Draft ASEAN Trade in Services Agreement (ATISA)
  6. Status of Ratification of CCS-related Agreements

### **4. 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Logistics and Transport Services Sectoral Working Group**

- The meeting of the LTSSWG was chaired by the Philippines with Ms. Caroline Lourdes F. Mangalili from the International Cooperation Desk, Department of Transportation and Communications and attended by officials/delegates from ASEAN Member States (AMS) and the ASEAN Secretariat on 25 September 2014. The Philippines was represented by Nenita S. Atienza, MARINA, as the Head of Delegation, with Josephine Napiere of the Philippine Ports Authority.
- The ASEAN CCS Meetings and the Transport and Logistics Sectoral Working Group Meetings, as in the ASEAN Maritime Technical Working Group Meeting are very relevant based on the following reasons:
  1. MARINA (through the OSS) has been designated as a permanent member of the NEDA-TRM on Trades in Services Working Group since logistics and transportation services sector is one of the priority service sectors under the ASEAN-CCS, having direct impact on the policies, rules and regulations in international shipping, shipbuilding/ship repair, domestic shipping specially cabotage principle among others.

2. The Meetings provide an avenue to the AMS to substantially eliminate restrictions to trade in services by way of exchanging experiences/policy initiatives/best practices which will eventually improve the efficiency and competitiveness of the ASEAN logistics and transportation service suppliers.
  3. The Meetings serve as an avenue for the Philippines to learn the best practices and experiences of the other AMS in order to effectively provide and review the Philippines threshold of commitments and offers vis-à-vis existing commitments/offers of other AMS.
  4. The Meeting provide guidelines for ASM to progressively improve market access and ensure that logistics and transport services suppliers are accorded equal national treatment with each AMS.
5. **1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the ASEAN Single Market (ASSM) Task Force, 18-19 March 2014, Phnom Penh, Cambodia**

The ASSM Task Force Meeting discussed the Terms of Reference of the Task Force and the recommendation of the ASSM study on the expectation of coming up with a way forward to realize the ASSM by 2015. The Topics discussed and the results of deliberations for the ASSM Task Force are listed in Annex “3”.

6. **The 27<sup>TH</sup> ASEAN Maritime Transport Working Group (MTWG), 19-21 March 2014, Phnom Penh, Cambodia**

- The Meeting elected the Philippines as the vice-Chair of the MTWG Meeting for 2014-2015. The position of vice-chairman was previously given permission by the MARINA Management noting the implications for accepting it.
- Agenda Item 5.2, the Enhancement of Maritime Safety for Establishment of Efficient Shipping Route in ASEAN
- Agenda Item 5.5, Review ASEAN Near Coastal Voyage (NCV) Limits as per the requirements of Standards of Training, Certification and Watch-keeping (STCW) Convention by 2012. Review current arrangements for STCW in ASEAN Near Coastal Voyages (NCV) Limits
- Agenda Item 5.7, Enhance the activity in cooperation with IMO, and promote to sign and implement the relevant IMO initiative Conventions: Support formulation and implementation of ASEAN Oil Spill Response Action Plan (OSRAP)
- Agenda item 8, Transport Cooperation with Dialogue Partners:
  - 8.1 CHINA
- Agenda item 9, IMO-ASEAN Partnership

7. **2<sup>ND</sup> Meeting of the ASEAN Shipping Market (ASSM) Task Force, 19-20 August 2014, Siem Reap, Cambodia**

- The ASSM Task Force Meeting discussed the Implementation Framework for the ASSM to realize the ASSM by 2015. The topics discussed and the results of the deliberation are listed in Annex “3”.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> ASSM Task Force Meeting resulted in the drafting of the Implementation Framework of ASSM that enumerates the guiding principles of the ASEAN Single Shipping Market specifically excluding the cabotage from its coverage.



**8. The 28<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Maritime Transport Working Group (MTWG), 20-22 August 2014, Siem Reap, Cambodia**

- The Meeting was chaired by Cambodia, the Philippines acts as the vice-Chair. Under agenda item 6.3, i.e., Implement the proposed measures of the Master Plan Study and Feasibility Study on Global/Domestic Shipping together with a Feasibility Study on an ASEAN RORO Network by 2015, the Philippines provided the Meeting by way of update on the following information:
  1. There is an inter-agency Task Force established by the DOTC to monitor the implementation of the GenSan/Davao-Bitung route; and
  2. There is a communication by the DOTC, through diplomatic channel, to Indonesia for initial discussion to operationalize the GenSan/Davao-Bitung route.

**9. 1<sup>ST</sup> Session of the Sub-committee on Human Element, Training and Watchkeeping of the International Maritime Organization, 17-21 February 2014, London, United Kingdom**

**Highlights of HTW**

1. Guidance on security certification for seafarers agreed
2. STCW revisions to accommodate Polar Code developed
3. Guidance for training on board ships using gases or low flash-point fuel endorsed
4. Model courses validated
5. Review of passenger ship specific training initiated

**10. The 21<sup>st</sup> Session of the Editorial and Technical Group (e&t21) to Revise the IMSBC, 28 April to 02 May 2014, IMO Headquarters, London, UK**

This is a continuation of the revision work of the IMO to draft the amendment of the IMSBC for inclusion in the third round of amendment to take effect in 2015. The Philippine submission to include iron sinter was part of the agenda. It has gone through extensive consultation with other members of the E&T. Comments and inputs were solicited from member countries such as the Netherlands, Australia, Germany, and the U.S.A. Private organizations such as the IIMA, and international mining firms were also consulted even before the scheduled meeting and their comments and inputs were considered. Also, extensive research were made tapping on the current literature provided by the Iron Platform and REACH.

**11. 101<sup>st</sup> Session of the IMO Legal Committee, 28 April to 02 May 2014, IMO Headquarters, London, UK**

**Highlights of the 101<sup>st</sup> Session of the IMO Legal Committee**

- Facilitation of the Entry into force and Harmonized Implementation of the HNS Convention, 2010
- Fair Treatment of Seafarers in the event of Maritime Accident

- Piracy
- Matters arising from the 110<sup>th</sup> and 111<sup>th</sup> Regular and 27<sup>th</sup> Extraordinary Sessions of the Council and the 28<sup>th</sup> Session of the Assembly
- Technical Cooperation Activities Related to Maritime Legislation
- Review of the Status of Conventions and Other Treaty Instruments Emanating from the Legal Committee
- Liability and Compensation Issues Connected with Transboundary Pollution Damage from Offshore Exploration and Exploitation Activities
- Information on the Entry into force of the ILO's Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC 2006) and an update on the proposed amendments
- Advice and Guidance on issues brought to the Legal Committee in connection with the implementation of IMO Instruments; places of refuge for ships in need of assistance
- Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI)

**12. Maritime Public Leader's Programme (MPLP) Alumna Gathering which Will be Held in Conjunction with the Singapore Maritime Week (smw), 08-11 April 2014, Singapore**

- Norwegian Maritime Strategy
- Towards a Sustainable Next Generation Port
- Small-scale LNG Carriers
- Intelligent Port Traffic Management
- Distribution of LNG in Ports
- Container Terminal Automation
- Eco-ship and Hull Design
- Efficient Ship Operations, Deep Sea Fleet
- MUNIN – A concept study for the unmanned and autonomous ship
- Safety and Navigation using e-Navigation System
- ULCS larger than 18000 TEU

**13. Annual General Assembly 2014 and the 33<sup>rd</sup> PIANC World Congress, 31 May-05, June 2014, San Francisco, USA**

The Organizing Committee offered six pre-Congress technical workshops, as follows:

1. Marina Designers Training Program: Modern City Marinas
2. Working with Nature (WwN) in Navigating the New Millennium
3. Lessons from Coastal Disasters
4. Value of Inland Waterways
5. Innovations in Lock and Gate Design
6. Berthing Velocities and Fender Design

**14. 78<sup>TH</sup> ASEAN coordinating committee on services and 16<sup>th</sup> logistics and transport services sectoral working group (ltsswg) meetings, 29-30 May 2014, Can Thau Vietnam**

- The 78<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the ASEAN Coordinating Committee on Services (CCS) is a continuation of the meetings of the AMS on trade in services sector which includes the maritime transport services sector. The ASEAN-CCS met back-to-back with its three (3) Sectoral Working Groups and all Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) Committees. The important agenda in the ASEAN-CCS for MARINA is the ASEAN Framework on Services Agreement (AFAS)
- The 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the LTSSWG was chaired by the Philippines with Ms. Dolores G. Pua from the International Cooperation Desk, Department of Transportation and Communications and attended by officials/delegates from AMS and the ASEAN Secretariat on 29 May 2014. The ASEAN Secretariat informed the Meeting that the Seminar and Conference on Enhancing ASEAN Logistics Services which was held in Cebu, Philippines has been uploaded to the ASEAN Logistics Services Webpage together with the speakers' presentations and identified the "Key Issues and Challenges".

**15. 101<sup>st</sup> Session of the Legal Committee Meeting on 28 April to 1 May 2014**

The Agenda discussed during the forum are the following:

**a. World Maritime Day theme for 2014**

The Committee highlighted the World Maritime Day theme for 2014, "IMO conventions: effective implementation" and encouraged delegations to work with their respective Governments towards achieving effective and uniform implementation of relevant IMO conventions.

**b. HNS 2010 correspondence group established to facilitate ratification of the treaty**

The Committee discussed the current status of the International Convention on Liability and compensation for Damage in Connection with the Carriage of Hazardous and Noxious substances by Sea, 2010 (2010 HNS Convention)

**c. Draft Counter-Terrorism Legal Training curriculum noted**

The Committee drafted the "Counter-Terrorism Legal Training Curriculum – Module 5 – Transport related (civil aviation and maritime) Terrorism Offences", which has been prepared by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), in cooperation with the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and IMO.

**d. Counter-piracy legal work noted**

The Committee noted the outcome of the November 2013 meeting of Working Group 2 (WG2) of the Contact Group on Piracy off the coast of Somalia (CGPCS).

**16. 1st session of the Sub-Committee on Human Element, Training and Watchkeeping (HTW) on 17 to 21 February 2014**

The Agenda discussed during the forum are the following:

**a. Model courses validated**

The Sub-Committee validated four updated and revised model courses: General Operator's Certificate for GMDSS; Restricted Operator's Certificate for GMDSS; Basic Training for Oil and Chemical Tanker Cargo Operations; and Basic Training for Liquefied Gas Tanker Cargo Operations.

**b. Review of passenger ship specific training initiated**

The Sub-Committee began a review of passenger ship specific safety training, in the light of the Costa Concordia accident.

**c. Guidance for training on board ships using gases or low flash-point fuel endorsed**

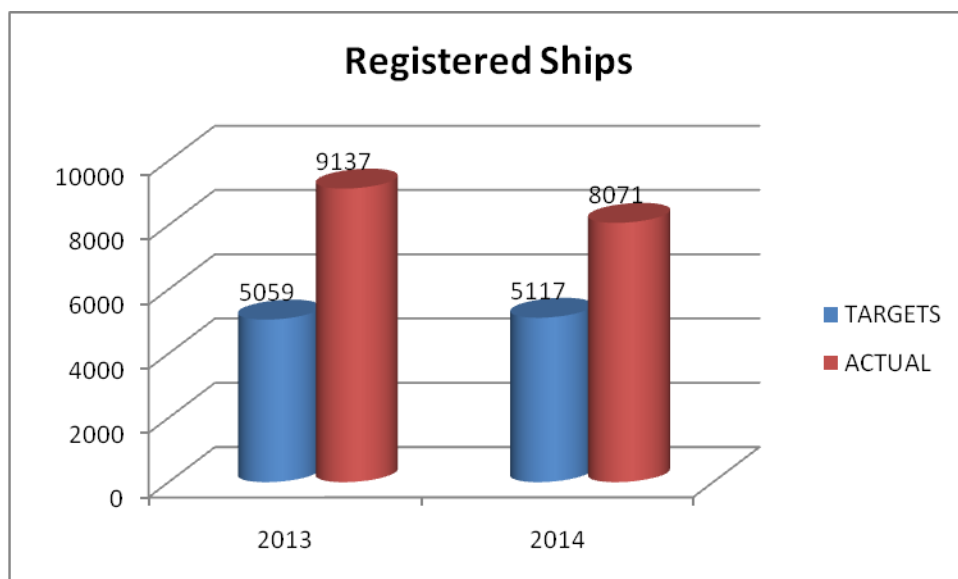
The Sub-Committee endorsed interim guidance on training for seafarers on board ships using gases or other low flashpoint fuels, for approval by the MSC.

## V. OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Relative to MARINA's regulatory and supervisory functions, as measured/described by the set Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), the year 2014 exhibited increased figures compared with that of the previous year. Below is a more detailed description of accomplishment under each of the five (5) KPIs.

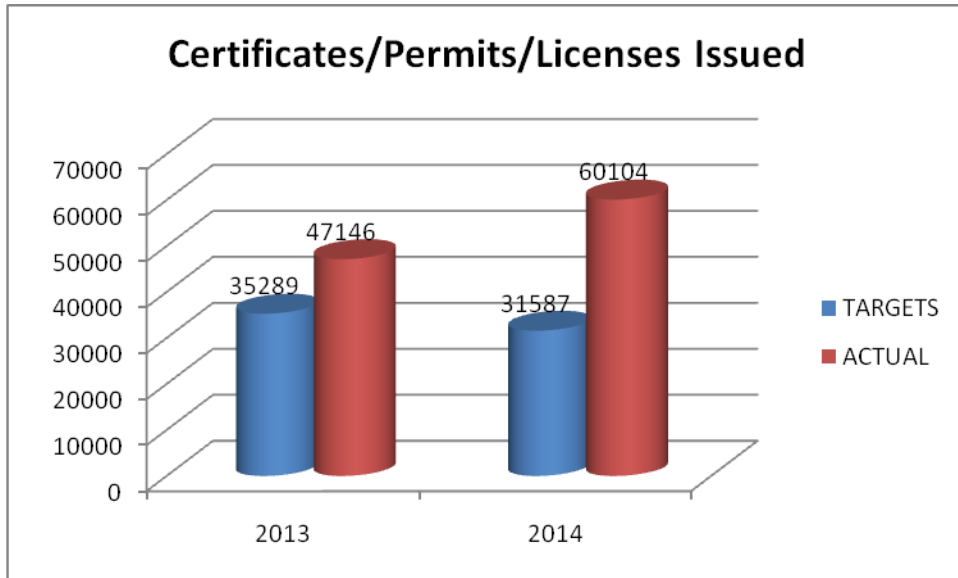
### 1. Number of Ships Registered

Below is the graph showing the number of ships registered in 2014 totalling 8,071, which is 157.73 % higher than the set target for 2014:



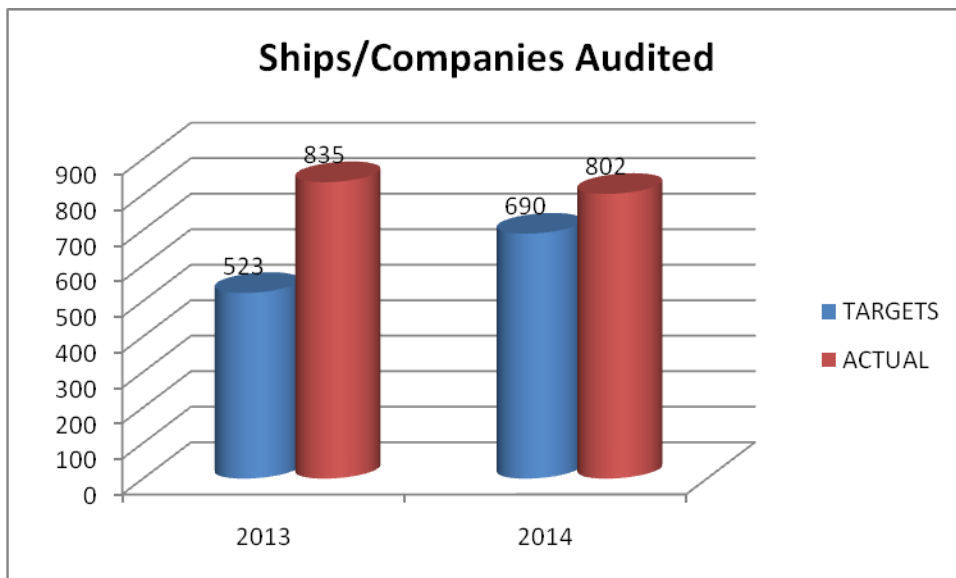
### 2. Number of Certificates/Permits/Licenses Issued

For 2014 the number of Certificates, Permits and Licences issued is 60,104 or 90% higher than the set target for the said year of 31,587. The increase is due to the conduct of Mobile registration under the Joint Memorandum Circular No. 1 between MARINA, BFAR, NTC and PCG signed on 25 June 2013 providing the guidelines on the conduct of "Mobile Registration, Licensing, Documentation and Franchising of Motorbancas and Fishing Boats below 35 GT and Licensing of Seafarers Manning such ships. Said memorandum was extended by issuing MARINA Advisory 2014-12 to continue the conduct of the mobile registration until December 2014. The comparative figure for the target and actual accomplishment is shown in the graph below:



### 3. Number of Ships/Companies Audited

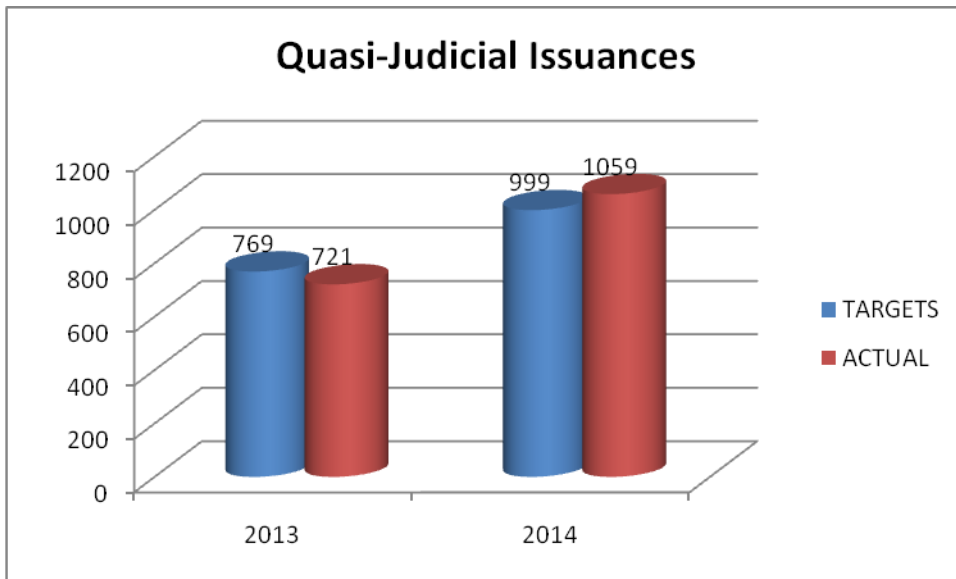
The total number of ships and companies audited in 2014 is 802 which is 116% higher than the set target for 2014.





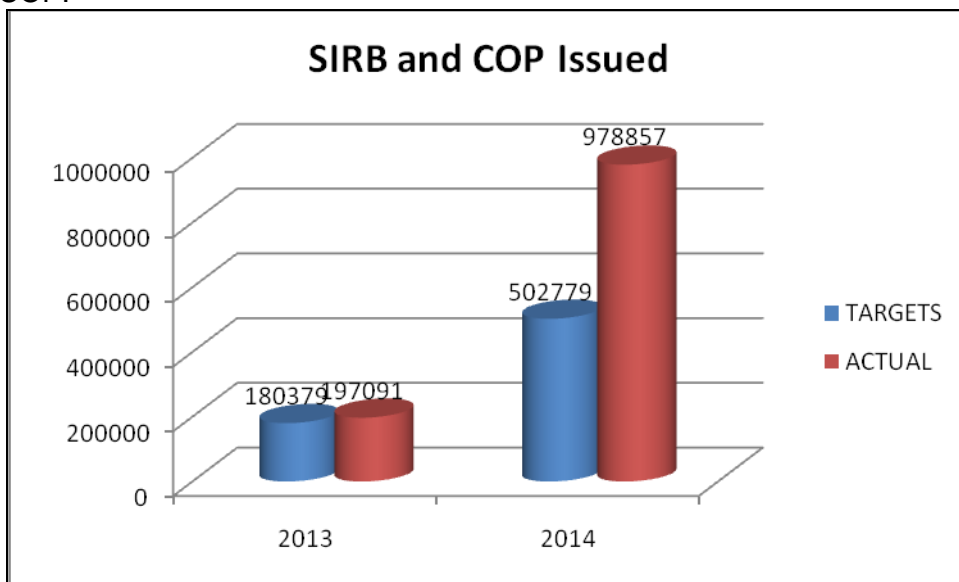
#### 4. Number of Quasi-Judicial Issuances

The total number of quasi-judicial or CPC related issuances in 2014 is 1059. The actual accomplishment as compared with the 2014 target of 999 will show a realization figure of 109%:



#### 5. Number of SIRB and COP Issued

On the issuance of Seafarer related documents, the total number of SIRB and COP issued for 2014 is 978,857 which is 396.65% higher than the accomplishment for 2013. The increase is due to the assumption of functions under RA 10635 on the issuance of COP.



## VI MAJOR FINAL OUTPUT (MFO's) (Target and Actual Accomplishment for CY 2014)

	2014		
	Target	Actual	% of Accomplishment
	(b)	( c )	(c/b=d) (d)
<b>MFO 1 : MARITIME INDUSTRY POLICY SERVICE</b>			
PI - 1 - Maritime Policy Issuance and Implementation			
Quantity - Number of Policies, rules and regulations updated, issued and disseminated	14	19	136%
<b>MFO 2- MARITIME INDUSTRY REGULATION SERVICE</b>			
PI - Registration/documentation, Licensing & Franchising			
a. Number of vessel new applications/renewal for issuance of permits, licenses & certificates	38,393	45,820	119%
b. Number of Seafarers new applications/renewal for issuance of permits licenses & certificates	502,779	978,857	195%
PI 2 – MONITORING			
Number of Cases/complaints filed and Processed	170	303	178%
PI- 3 – ENFORCEMENT			
Number of violations and complaints acted upon and reports issued	17	30	176%

## VII. FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

### a. 2014 REVENUE PERFORMANCE REPORT

PARTICULARS	FY 2014 TARGET (000)	ACTUAL As of 12/31/2014 (000)	% COLLECTION
<b>OPERATING AND SERVICE INCOME</b>			
<b>PERMITS &amp; LICENSES</b>			
FRANCHISING & LICENSING FEES	19,899	24,312	122.18%
PERMIT FEES	25,096	54,539	217.32%
REGISTRATION FEES	165,636	54,344	32.81%
OTHER PERMITS & LICENSES	8,116	10,510	129.50%
FINES AND PENALTIES	1,424	11,283	792.35%
<b>SERVICE INCOME</b>			
CLEARANCE & CERTIFICATE FEES	8,728	211,102	2,418.68%
INSPECTION FEES	42,964	50,429	117.38%
PROCESSING FEES	180,958	165,165	91.27%
OTHER SERVICE INCOME	32,475	73,252	225.56%
FINES & PENALTIES	601	2,746	456.91%
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>			
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	104	266	255.77%
TONNAGE FEES	55,102	55,709	101.10%
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>541,103</b>	<b>713,657</b>	<b>131.89%</b>

### b. 2014 ACTUAL OBLIGATION

OFFICE	TOTAL ALLOTMENT (ALL SOURCE (P 000)	TOTAL ACTUAL OBLIGATION (P 000)	UTILIZATION RATE (%)
CENTRAL OFFICE	756,574	737,238	97%
REGION I	9,870	9,072	92%
REGION IV	21,765	21,690	100%
REGION V	10,944	10,722	98%
REGION VI	17,705	17,317	98%
REGION VII	25,352	25,044	99%
REGION VIII	15,837	15,691	99%
REGION IX	17,170	16,986	99%
REGION X	14,058	12,451	89%
REGION XI	17,190	16,223	94%
REGION XII	10,561	10,560	100%
REGION XIII	270	269	100%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>917,296</b>	<b>893,263</b>	<b>97%</b>

SOURCE: MFAS/Accounting Division, Budget Division

## BREAKDOWN OF 2013 ACTUAL OBLIGATION

AS OF 31 DECEMBER 2014  
(P'000)

OFFICE	FUND 101					FUND 101	TOTAL ACTUAL OBLIGATION
	CURRENT APPROPRIATION			CONTINUING APPROPRIATION		USE OF INCOME	
	PS	MOOE		MOOE	CO	MOOE	
CENTRAL OFFICE	136,638	301,973	4,551	-	289,170	4,907	737,239
REGION I	3,687	3,935	590	-	-	860	9,072
REGION IV	11,184	7,100	1,195	-	-	2,212	21,691
REGION V	5,759	3,835	-	228	-	900	10,722
REGION VI	9,447	5,768	467	-	-	1,635	17,317
REGION VII	13,853	8,320	380	-	-	2,491	25,044
REGION VIII	9,358	3,981	680	-	-	1,672	15,691
REGION IX	11,997	3,702	100			1,187	16,986
REGION X	6,618	4,092	117	-	-	1,623	12,450
REGION XI	9,910	5,260	522	-	-	531	16,223
REGION XII	6,070	3,316	169			1,005	10,560
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>224,521</b>	<b>351,551</b>	<b>8,771</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>289,170</b>	<b>19,023</b>	<b>893,264</b>

SOURCE: MARINA AFO/BUDGET DIVISION

## VIII. PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT

### I. Personnel Complement

With the approval by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) of the Agency's Rationalization Plan under Executive Order No. 366 (2004)<sup>1</sup> and the Implementation of RA 10635 (2014), the MARINA increased its staff complement to 20% or 646 as of 31 December 2013 to 758 as of 31 December 2014. Of this figure, 22 are executive management, 518 are technical and 218 administrative staff. 25 METS with the rank of Director II were added to the growing workforce of the Agency.

The total DBM-approved MARINA positions under the Personal Services Itemization and Plantilla of Personnel (PSIPOP), is seven hundred fifty eight (758) distributed as follows:

OFFICE UNITS	TOTAL	FILLED	UNFILLED
Central Office	449	296	153
Regional Offices	309	240	69
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>758</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>222</b>

### 2. Additional personnel:

To augment the existing warm bodies of MARINA personnel on Job Order basis were hired as follows:

- Central Office - 209
- Regional Offices - 35
- Detailed from TELOF - 5 (Central Office);  
9 (Regional Offices)

### 3. RECRUITMENT/SELECTION/PROMOTION

Promotion	-	93
New entry (Original)	-	52
New (transferee)	-	2
Newly hired JO	-	109

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<sup>1</sup> Directing Strategic Review of the Operations and Organizations of the Executive Branch and Providing Options and Incentives for Government Employees who may be Affected by the Rationalization of the Functions and Agencies of the Executive Branch.

#### **4. Other Personnel Movements**

One (1) Attorney II (SG-18) position of the MARINA Regional Office X/XIII was renewed for one (1) year term, due to unavailability of eligible-bar passer applicants who are available/willing to be appointed for the said position. While a holder of Attorney II (SG-18) position of the MARINA Regional Office XII was no longer renewed upon the expiration of the one (1) year term, consistent with the provision under the DBM-approval of the MARINA Rationalization Plan.

Eight (8) personnel were reassigned to other MARINA Offices/Units, six (6) of them were reassigned upon their request.



## IX. GAD ACCOMPLISHMENT 2014

Gender Issue or GAD Mandate	GAD Activity	Performance Indicators and Target	Actual Result	Actual Cost/ Expenditures
<b>Organization focus</b>				
Incomplete and inadequate data in the Personnel Information System (PIS) (covering the officials and employees of the Central Office (CO) and the MARINA Regional Offices (MROs) to support gender mainstreaming efforts in the organization	➤ Updated database of MARINA officials & employees		Updated MRO VI personnel profiles generated and data analyzed	500,000
Insufficient knowledge among officials and staff in gender analysis	Conduct of Gender Mainstreaming (GM) Seminar cum planning Workshop		RO XI Conducted training on capacities for Gender Mainstreaming on 25-26 October 2014	390,109.41
	Conduct of Trainers Training		RO VII Conducted Seminar on Gender Mainstreaming	39,153.00
Insufficient knowledge among officials and staff in gender analysis and gender mainstreaming			RO VIII Conducted Human Resource Development Intervention through Gender Sensitivity Training 10-11 May 2014	150,000.00
			RO I Attendance to Gender Sensitivity Training	31733.30
			RO VII Attendance to Gender Sensitivity Training	42,000.00

Gender Issue or GAD Mandate	GAD Activity	Performance Indicators and Target	Actual Result	Actual Cost/ Expenditures
		Gender Responsive MARINA Plans and Programs in Place by December 2014	RO VII 8 Gender responsive policies were already included in the 2014 Plans and Programs	
	Conduct of GAD Planning Workshop	Revised MARINA GAD PLANS FFOR FY 2015	Revised GAD Plan and Budget for FY 2015	243,872.50
			RO I Attendance to GAD Planning and Assessment and GAD Audit Workshop	<b>31,755.30</b>
			RO VII Attendance to GAD Planning	11,105.00
		Gender Audit questionnaire developed	Gender Audit Questionnaire developed	131,336.15
			RO VII ➤ Attended GAD Audit Seminar	10,306.00
			RO V ➤ Attended GAD Audit Seminar	
Lack of coordinating or overseeing GAD Special Activities introduced by organization/entities (such as DOTC, PCW, CSC, NEDA, NGOs, etc.)			MCO Giving of rose and chocolate for MARINA Women personnel.	8,528.00
			RO I ➤ Attendance of MARINA Personnel to Women's Month Celebration sponsored by Region 1 Advocate for Gender Equality (RAGE) on March 2014	4,240.00

Gender Issue or GAD Mandate	GAD Activity	Performance Indicators and Target	Actual Result	Actual Cost/ Expenditures
			RO VIII 3 personnel attended the Women's " Month Forum conducted last March 2014	<b>350,00</b>
			MCO Participated in the Human symbol forming during the celebration of women's month at the Quirino Grand Stand	41,264.00
			RO VI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attendance to WIMAPHIL monthly meetings and activities</li> <li>• Attendance to UP-UGSAD and VAWC from Nov. - Dec</li> </ul>	9,200.00
			Identification of the conduct of Lecture as GAD-Activity was made	7,500.00
			RO VI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Attendance to WIMAPHIL monthly meetings and activities.</li> <li>➤ Attendance to UP- UGSAD and VAWC from Nov. – Dec. 2014.</li> <li>➤ Attendance to meetings and activities of D OH re: WAD</li> </ul>	9,200.00
			MCO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Participation/Attendance in the DOTC GAD National Planning Workshop held at the Estrellas de Mendoza Playa Resort, Batangas City on 27-28 November 2015.</li> </ul>	10,321.00
			MCO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Participation/ Attendance in the Gender and Transportation Pre-Summit held on 4-6 June 2014</li> </ul>	26,715.00

Gender Issue or GAD Mandate	GAD Activity	Performance Indicators and Target	Actual Result	Actual Cost/ Expenditures
			MCO ➤ Participation/Attendance in the water Transport Sector GAD TWG Meeting on 7-8 August 2014.	3,122.50
			MCO ➤ Participation/Attendance in the DOTC GAD Transportation Summit held on 17-18 November 2014.	9,600.00
			RO VIII ➤ 2 personnel attended GAD Budgeting Workshop last April 2014	22,685.67
			31 MARINA personnel attended debriefing session/ psycho-social session conducted by DOTC last 24-25 July 2014 dubbed as "Project Pagsama at Ginhawa"	2,900.00
Need to be institute mechanism/advocacy for physical and mental health needs of seafarers.			MCO ➤ Conduct of lectures on Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) & Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) to seafarers on 30 October 2014.	7,500.00
			RO V Conducted lecture/seminar to maritime students, instructors and staff of University of Saint Anthony	9,209.72

Gender Issue or GAD Mandate	GAD Activity	Performance Indicators and Target	Actual Result	Actual Cost/ Expenditures
<b>Client Focus</b>				
Lack of gender responsive Agency PAPs	Review/revise existing MCs, rules and regulations to mainstream gender issues/concerns	Gender responsive policies, rules and regulations in place by December 2014:  ➤ Revision to the following MCs: -MC 98/96 -MC 72/136 -MC 135 -MC 76 -MC 174 -MC 2007-02 -MC 181 -MC 186 -MC 137	random assessment/survey onboard domestic ships relative to the implementation of the MARINA Circulars (MCs) No. 72/136 and 135 as inputs to the revision of said MCs.	378,000.00

## X. PRIORITY PLANS AND PROGRAMS FOR 2015

With the approval of RA 10635 MARINA faces tremendous challenges both domestically and internationally. The “Maritime Philippines Agenda” was formulated in mid 2013 and early 2014 within the context of these developments:

### 1. MARINA as Single Maritime Administration for the Implementation of the STCW Convention for Seafarers 1978, as amended

The approval of Republic Act No. 10635 (2014) requires the MARINA to effectively implement the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW) for seafarers 1978, as amended following issues raised on the quality of the country’s maritime education and training including the certification system of Filipino seafarers.

The law consolidated STCW functions previously performed by various government agencies to be discharged by the MARINA as a single maritime administration. It likewise vested upon the said Agency the conduct of licensure examinations for marine deck and engine officers.

## **2. Institutional and Human Capacity Building**

Given the specialized nature of the work of the Agency, the MARINA, in its desire to promote organizational efficiency and to implant the core values of integrity, efficiency and professionalism for its officials and employees has to consider embarking into a realistic and institutional and human capacity building program.

## **3. Safe and Secure Maritime Transportation Systems**

The archipelagic configuration of the Philippines requires safety of navigation to its waters including the protection of marine environment and its resources. This remains a critical issue that needs sustainable and long-term program to address the safety requirements of ship construction and design as well as the competence of those manning the ships.

## **4. Inclusive Growth in the Maritime Industry**

To realize the Aquino government's "inclusive growth policy", a broad initiative anchored at creating more job opportunities to reduce poverty incidence in the country, including achieving commitments under the UN Millennium Development Goals.

Under its original charter, the MARINA has been primarily vested to pursue "efficient transport of commodities", "effective sea linkage" and "create more job opportunities".

## **5. Effective Implementation of International Commitments and Obligations**

The Philippines continues to have a relatively strong presence in various international and regional organizations. Presently, the country is a Member of Council, the policy making body of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), belonging under Category "C" which comprises of 20 IMO Member States with strong interest in shipping. For a number of years, the country also chaired the IMO Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) and served as Conference President during the Philippine Hosting of the Conference of Parties to Adopt Amendments to the STCW Convention for Seafarers 1978, as amended and the STCW Code in June 2010