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TO : ALL SHIPPING COMPANIES/OWNERS/OPERATORS AND ALL CONCERNED

SUBJECT : GUIDELINES DURING EMERGENCY, HOLIDAY SEASON AND SPECIAL OCCASION

Pursuant to the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 474 and The 2014 Amendments to the Revised Rules and Regulations Implementing RA No. 9295, and to ensure safe, reliable, convenient, and continued public service during Emergency, Holiday Seasons and Special Occasions, all Philippine-registered liner ships carrying passengers and/or cargoes, the following guidelines shall be strictly observed:

1. During emergency situation, holiday season or special occasion as defined in Annex "A" which has resulted or is likely to result in the stranding of passengers and/or cargoes, the Director/Officer-in-Charge of the Franchising Service shall act as the Focal Person whenever said situations affect areas falling within the jurisdiction of the MARINA Central Office. When the affected areas are covered by the jurisdiction of the regional offices, the Director/Officer-in-Charge of the concerned regional office shall act as the Focal Person.
2. The rule on the strict adherence to the CPC-authorized schedule of trips of authorized ship operators of Philippine-registered ships carrying passengers and/or cargoes in the affected area(s)/route(s), shall be lifted only at the instance or upon directive/approval of MARINA. In such case, the following rules shall apply:
 - 2.1. Ships can immediately depart once their maximum authorized passenger and/or cargo capacities are attained;
 - 2.2. Upon safe disembarkation of passengers and/or cargoes and approval/clearance from the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) and/or Philippine Ports Authority (PPA), whether or not their authorized passenger and/or cargo capacities are attained, ships shall immediately return to the congested/affected port/s;
 - 2.3. Ships can increase their sailing frequency; and,


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- 2.4. In the carriage of passengers and/or cargoes, to strictly observe/adhere to the "First-Come, First-Serve" policy, notwithstanding any prior written agreement or arrangement with clients/shippers.
3. The implementation of the above changes/adjustments in ship/s schedule of routes shall be allowed on the condition that such change/amendment/adjustment shall be subject to written confirmation by MARINA and may be modified/cancelled or revoked at any time for valid cause.
 4. If the shipping service/s in the affected area/s remains insufficient despite the above measures that have been taken, other shipping companies/operators may be authorized to deploy their ships in order to ensure the immediate recovery of areas from the emergency, congestion or similar circumstances.
 5. The Focal Person/s shall closely and properly coordinate with the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA), the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), the Philippine National Police (PNP), the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), the Local Government Units (LGUs) and other concerned entities.
 6. A daily report shall be submitted to the Administrator, through the Deputy Administrator for Operations (DAO), for information and further instructions.
 7. Once MARINA has determined that the affected area(s)/port(s) has recovered from the emergency, congestion or similar circumstances, the CPC-authorized schedule of trips of the involved ships in the affected areas or route/s shall be observed.
 8. All directives/authority issued by MARINA shall likewise be considered revoke/rescinded as soon as the normalcy in the affected areas/s is achieved and declared.

This Advisory supersedes Flag State Advisory No. 38.

For compliance.



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A. Emergency - refers to the following urgent situations

1. Flood, storm, earthquake or other natural disasters or calamities;
2. Stranding or long queuing of passengers and/or cargoes;
3. Congestion in ports;
4. Maritime accidents/incidents;
5. A strike or other industrial action or blockade or embargo or any other form of civil disturbance, whether lawful or not; and,
6. Temporary stoppage of ship operation due to drydocking/repair/engine breakdown/trouble; and,
7. Other similar or analogous situations, as may be determined by MARINA.

B. Holiday Season in the Philippines – refers to the following Regular Holidays and National Special Days as may be declared, pursuant to Book 1, Chapter 7 of the Revised Administrative Code of 1987, unless modified by law, order of proclamation, to wit:

Regular Holidays

1. New Year's Day – January 01
2. Chinese New Year – Movable date
3. Maundy Thursday – Movable date
4. Good Friday – Movable date
5. Black Saturday – Movable date
6. Day of Valour – April 09
7. Labor Day – May 01
8. Independence Day – June 12
9. Eidul Fitr – Movable date
10. Ninoy Aquino Day – August 21
11. National Heroes Day – Last Sunday of August
12. Eidul Adha – Movable date
13. Bonifacio Day – November 30
14. Christmas Day – December 25
15. Rizal Day

National Special Day

1. All Saints Day – November 01
2. Last Day of the Year – December

C. Special Occasions

1. Summer Vacation and/or opening of classes;
2. Festival and other important cultural/traditional/religious events; and,
3. National non-working holidays as may be declared by presidential proclamation.

SHIPS OPERATING IN THE ROUTE:
MATNOG, SORSOGON-BALWHARTECO/DAPDAP, NOTHERN SAMAR AND VICE-VERSA
 As of 30 July 2015

A. Matnog, Sorsogon – Dapdap, Allen, Northern Samar and vice-versa

No.	Name of Ship	Owner/Operator	Passenger Capacity	Estimated Cargo Capacity (10 -wheeler truck)
1	MV "GRAND STAR RORO 3"	Philharbor Ferries and Port Services Corp.	357	10
2	MV "REINA HOSSANA"	Montenegro Shipping Lines, Inc.		17

B. Matnog, Sorsogon – BALWHARTECO, Allen, Northern Samar and vice-versa

No.	Name of Ship	Owner/Operator	Passenger Capacity	Estimated Cargo Capacity
1	MV "HANSEL JOBETT"	Sta. Clara Shipping Corp.	655	15
2	MV "MAC BRYAN"	Peñafrancia Shipping Corp.	540	11
3	MV "DON BENITO AMBROSIO"		660	17
4	MV "DON HERCULANO"		509	16
5	MV "REINA IMMACULADA"	Montenegro Shipping Lines, Inc.		17
6	MV "REINA EMPERATRIZ"			17

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7	MV "STAR FERRY"	168 Shipping Corp.	642	15
8	MV "STAR FERRY II"		400	10
9	MV "STAR FERRY III"		550	11
10	LCT "POSEIDON 17"	NN-ATS Logistics Management and Holdings Co., Inc.		20

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ANNEX "C"

Matnog, Sorsogon-Allen/Dapdap, Northern Samar Lean Season

A. As of 12 July 2015

Ave. Cargo Capacity (10-wheeler truck) (1)	Ave. Daily Round Trips (2)	Route Capacity (10-wheeler truck) (1X2)
14	12	168 Trucks

B. Additional Capacity (LCT "POSEIDON 17)

Cargo Capacity (10-wheeler truck) (1)	Daily Round trips (2)	Offered Daily Capacity (10-wheeler truck) (1X2)
20	3	60 Trucks

C. Comparative Figures

Capacity

Previous	Present	Increase (%)
168 Trucks	228 Trucks	35.7

During lean season, the average load of trucks per ship in the route is 14. Before the entry of LCT "POSEIDON 17, the route was only being served by the existing operators with an average trip of 12 per day. Given this information, it appears that the route can only serve 168 trucks per day. With the entry of LCT "POSEIDON", the route has increased its daily capacity by 35.7% or equivalent to a total of 228 trucks.