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TO : ALL DOMESTIC SHIPPING COMPANIES, SHIP OWNERS/OPERATORS/CHARTERERS AND OTHER CONCERNED

SUBJECT : GUIDELINES ON THE COMPULSORY INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PASSENGERS UNDER ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (ECQ) AND GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (GCQ)

Pursuant to Republic Act No. 11469, known as the "*Bayanihan* to Heal as One Act", Proclamation No. 922 declaring a State of Public Health Emergency Throughout the Philippines due to the Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) Pandemic, The 2014 Amendments to the Revised Rules and Regulations Implementing Republic Act (RA) No. 9295 (The 2014 Amendments) on the Compulsory Insurance Coverage for Passengers and Cargoes, MARINA Circular (MC) No. 2016-01 on the Revised Rules on the Mandatory Passenger Insurance Coverage and Emergency Assistance to Survivors of Maritime Accidents/Incidents, and in line with MARINA Advisory (MA) No. 2020-29 providing Guidelines on the Resumption of Operation of Passenger Ships in Areas Under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) and Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ), the following rules are hereby implemented:

1. All grantees of Certificate of Public Convenience/Provisional Authority/Special Permit with valid Passenger Insurance Coverage issued by an insurance provider duly accredited or recognized by the Insurance Commission, shall be authorized to resume passenger ship operations in the routes or areas placed under GCQ;
2. Concerned ship owners and operators shall strictly observe the provisions of MA 2020-29 particularly Item 6.1 thereof, which limits the carriage of passengers in the routes or areas under GCQ to fifty percent (50%) of the ship's on-board capacity;
3. As such, the ship owners and operators shall be allowed to reduce the coverage of their Insurance Policy to fifty percent (50%) of the ship's authorized passenger capacity as per its Passenger Ship Safety Certificate. The ship owners and operators shall submit immediately proof of such insurance coverage upon issuance thereof; and,

4. All other provisions for Passenger Insurance Coverage as stated under Section 14, Rule V of The 2014 Amendments, and MC No. 2016-01 are still in effect.

This MARINA Advisory shall take effect immediately and shall remain valid and subsisting until otherwise revoked/amended/modified or until further notice.

For information and guidance.



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