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**PRODUCTION OF A MANUAL ENTITLED "BALLAST WATER MANAGEMENT –
HOW TO DO IT"**

Support to IMO in the production of the manual

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SUMMARY

Executive summary: This document contains comments on document PPR 1/2 and specifically on item 2.4 on agenda item 6 therein – Production of a manual entitled "Ballast Water Management – How to do it"

Strategic direction: 7.1

High-level action: 7.1.2

Planned output: 7.1.2.5

Action to be taken: Paragraph 5

Related documents: A.1038(27); MEPC 65/2/10, MEPC 65/22 and PPR 1/2

Introduction

1 This document is submitted in accordance with paragraph 6.12.5 of the *Guidelines on the organization and method of work of the Maritime Safety Committee and the Marine Environment Protection Committee and their subsidiary bodies* (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.4/Rev.2) and comments on document PPR 1/2, concerning the outcome of MEPC 65 on the production of a manual entitled "Ballast Water Management – How to do it" (MEPC 65/22, paragraph 2.40).

2 The IMarEST Ballast Water Expert Group (BWEG) was established in 2010 and is comprised of senior IMarEST members with expertise in all areas of ballast water management, including testing, treatment, sampling, monitoring and compliance. In addition, the BWEG has representation from other relevant constituencies, including classification societies, the International Chamber of Shipping, the European Maritime Safety Agency, the North Sea Ballast Water Opportunity (NSWBO) Project, various national administrations associated with the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004, and others.

3 Through its BWEG, IMarEST has established a strategic partnership with the GEF/UNDP/IMO GloBallast Partnerships programme, assisting developing countries to reduce the transfer of harmful aquatic organisms in ballast water. IMarEST's particular focus is on enhancing awareness of the BWM Convention through its extensive international network.

Proposal

4 The IMarEST, through its Ballast Water Expert Group, wishes to extend its support, through access to its network of experts, to the IMO in the production of the manual entitled "Ballast Water Management – How to do it".

Action requested of the Sub-Committee

5 The Sub-Committee is invited to consider the proposal provided in this document and take action as appropriate.
