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| From: VTS Committee |  |
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LIAISON NOTE

# TASK 1.2.4 Develop Guideline on Maritime Services in the context of e-Navigation relating to VTS

# INTRODUCTION

The VTS Committee has provided input on Maritime Services 1-3 to the ENAV and ARM committees for the draft Guideline on Maritime Services in the context of e-Navigation. These Maritime Service descriptions are also included in the IMO MSC.1/Circ. 1610 "INITIAL DESCRIPTIONS OF MARITIME SERVICES IN THE CONTEXT OF E-NAVIGATION". The VTS Committee has continued to develop the Maritime Service descriptions for MS-1-3. The work was postponed for MS1, MS2 and MS3 during VTS49, awaiting the outcome on Maritime Services from other parties. At VTS50 the task group working on this item continued to work on MS1-3 to make the current Service Descriptions aligned with forthcoming IMO Resolution *Guidelines for Vessel Traffic Service* that will replace IMO Resolution A.857 (20).

It is expected that the forthcoming IMO Resolution *Guidelines for Vessel Traffic Service*, will be approved by IMO in late December this year.

# INFORMATION ON THE CHANGES

The VTS Committee is in the process of reviewing the three maritime services in the context of e-navigation with a view to assessing whether the current division of services is appropriate to the new resolution and whether any changes should be considered.

# ACTION REQUESTED

1. The ARM Committee is requested to note the preliminary editorial work done in the VTS committee to make MS1-3 of the Guideline Maritime Service in the context of e-Navigation align with the new IMO Resolution, Guidelines for Vessel Traffic Service.