



STEAMSHIP MUTUAL

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To the Members

Dear Sirs,

US OIL POLLUTION CERTIFICATES OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY UNDER OPA 1990

Members are referred to previous circulars regarding the existence of Shoreline and ARVAK (now merged and operating as Maritime Insurance Solutions) and SIGCO (The Shipowners Insurance and Guarantee Company Limited), who provide certificates of financial responsibility (COFR), as required under the Oil Pollution Act (OPA 90) to a majority of the world's shipping fleets.

In the last few weeks a new COFR facility has emerged in the form of the Water Quality Insurance Syndicate Inc. (WQIS) which is now able to provide COFR on behalf of any vessel.

WQIS may be contacted at:

Water Quality Insurance Syndicate,
60, Broad Street,
33rd Floor,
New York.
NY 10004

Telephone : 001 212 292 8700
E-mail : COFR@WQIS.com

As in the case of the COFR providers mentioned in earlier circulars, applicants are required to obtain documentation from their P&I Club. This documentation takes the form of three letters in substantially the same form as those issued by the Club in respect of other schemes, and these letters can thus be provided by the Club upon the request of Members who wish to subscribe to the WQIS facility.

Yours faithfully,

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