

## **PILOTAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **Adjustment to Pilotage Dues**

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this paper is to seek members' endorsement on the proposed adjustment of pilotage dues.

#### **Background**

2. The Hong Kong Pilots Association Ltd. (HKPA) met with the representatives of the Hong Kong Liner Shipping Association and the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce Shipping Committee on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2005 respectively. The meetings agreed to a mutually acceptable adjustment to the current pilotage dues adopted since 14<sup>th</sup> February 2003. Details of the adjustment are stated in the attached self-explanatory letter dated 29<sup>th</sup> March 2005 from the HKPA at Annex I.

#### **Advice Sought**

3. The proposed adjustment is circulated for endorsement or comments of members of the Pilotage Advisory Committee. Subject to members' approval, Marine Department will follow up the necessary legislative amendments to the Pilotage (Dues) Order.



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HONG KONG PILOTS ASSOCIATION LTD.

Your Ref :.....  
YCC028/2005

Our Ref :.....

The Chairman  
Pilotage Advisory Committee  
C/O Marine Department  
21/Floor, Harbour Building  
38 Pier Road,  
Hong Kong, SAR

29<sup>th</sup> March 2005

Attn: Mr. Roger Tupper

Dear Sirs

**Re: Adjustment to Pilotage Dues**

In responding to the increasing operational costs in the past few years resulted from numerous reasons as reported previously, in order to maintain the high standard of uninterrupted pilotage service, HKPA has requested an adjustment of Pilotage Dues to cover the short falls. With the understanding of the industry, HKPA met with the representatives of Hong Kong Liner Shipping Association and the HKGCC Shipping Committee on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2005 respectively, to work out a mutually acceptable adjustment of Pilotage Dues. The meeting was concluded in good spirit and mutually agreed to the following, subject to PAC's approval:

**Schedule (Part I) – Charges:**

**Current (14-Feb-03)**

**Agreed (24-Mar-05)**

	<b><u>Current (14-Feb-03)</u></b>	<b><u>Agreed (24-Mar-05)</u></b>
Basic Pilotage due	\$3500.00	\$3650.00
GRT < 30,000t	\$0.0650	\$0.0650
30,000 – 60,000t (min. \$1,950)	\$0.0600	\$0.0625
> 60,000t (min. \$3,750)	\$0.0575	\$0.0600

**Schedule (Part II) – Additional Charges:**

Ngan Chau Surcharge:	\$1800	\$1900
W. of Brothers Surcharge:	\$1900	\$2000
URMPS/URMA Surcharge:	\$700	\$1250

Detention Charges:	1 <sup>st</sup> 1/2Hr.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Hr.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Hr.
Existing 1998:	900	900	950
Agreed 2005:	1200	1200	1200

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**Schedule (Part III) – Dues Payable Where Engagement is Cancelled or Altered**

***Revised Version***

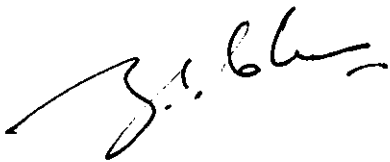
1. If the engagement of a pilot is cancelled within 1 hour of the last stated time of requirement for orders of the harbour area, 1.5 hours for west of East Brother Islands and Tolo Harbour, a pilotage due of \$3,650 shall be payable.

As it was pointed out during the last PAC meeting on 07-Feb-2005, in view of the urgent nature, it would be appreciated if the PAC members would endorse the agreement on a fast track means, so that it could be passed onto the concerned department for the necessary legislative procedures.

Thank you for your attention

Yours truly,

***p.p. Hong Kong Pilots Association Ltd.***



Capt. CHEN Yu-Chi  
Chairman