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Subject: Admission Policy deep water channel IJ-geul

The director of the public body Central Nautical Management, also the State Harbour Master, announces the following:

Based on the dutch 'Scheepvaartreglement territoriale zee' (shipping regulations dutch territorial sea), as from January 12th 2010 for ingoing IJ-geul bound shipping (draught >14.10- and ≤17.80 meter s.w.) the probabilistic tidal policy is inforce. This implies the use of the tidal advice program HARAP (Harbour Approach).

For tidal window advices during the inbound passage of the IJ-geul, HARAP include the following safety criteria:

- nautical guaranteed water depths in the IJ-geul;
- the under keel clearance (UKC), without the effects of waves and swell into account, must be more than ≥1.00 meter;
- based on calculations of long term criteria, a probability of once in a period of 235 years is permitted for a bottom contact which would result in (minor) damage of the ship;
- per every single IJ-geul transit the probability of minor damage resulting from touching the bottom should be less tan 1%;
- the tidal (cross) current rate at the Harbour entrance must be less than 1 knot.

For outgoing IJ-geul bound shipping the deterministic tidal policy with fixed UKC percentages remains in force.

As usual, the tidal window advices will be issued by the Hydro meteorological Advice Service IJmuiden (HMAIJ):

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For further information about the probabilistic admission policy the fact sheet 'Tidal Bound Navigation in the IJ-geul' is available from the pilots on board.

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also the State Harbour Master.

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