

## **Key items at CCC 6 Sub-Committee, 9-13 September 2019**

*The 5th meeting of the IMO Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers (CCC) was held in London from 9. September to 13 September.*

*The official IMO report from this meeting will be made available at the IMO webpage <http://www.imo.org/en/MediaCentre/MeetingSummaries/Pages/Default.aspx>*

*Amongst the many topics for the Sub-Committee, the following three issues can be highlighted:*

### ***Amendments to the IGF Code and developmet of guidelines for low-flashpoint fuels***

*The Sub-committee finalised the Interim guidelines on the use of methyl/ethyl alcohol as a fuel. The interim guidelines were forwarded to MSC 102 for approval. The Sub-committee further discussed the draft interim guidelines for the safety of ships using fuel cell power system, these guidelines were not finalised at this meeting and further work will be carried out intersessional within a correspondence group with a view to finalization at CCC 7 next year.*

*Finally, the Sub-committee agreed on a work plan for including low-flashpoint oil fuels (Oil Fuels with a flash point between 52°C and 60°C) and LPG in the IGF Code. This plan includes the meetings up to CCC 10 in 2023.*

### ***Amendments to the IMSBC Code and supplements***

*As a follow up on previous discussion on liquefaction of bulk cargoes Group A, proposals for amending the definition of Group A in the IMSBC code were discussed. The upcoming Editorial and Technical (E&T) meeting will continue the work and will draft a new definition to be discussed at CCC 7.*

*Two new cargo schedules for Ammonium Nitrate Based Fertilizer were discussed and it was decided to prepare schedules for respectively Ammonium Nitrate Based Fertilizer MHB (OH) and Ammonium Nitrate Based Fertilizer (unclassified) Drafts will be discussed at the 33<sup>rd</sup> E&T and forwarded to CCC 7 for further considerations. The next edition of the IMSBC Code (MSC 462(101)) will be mandatory from 1. January 2021, and can be applied on a voluntary basis from 1. January 2020.*

### ***Ongoing development of the IMDG Code***

*A safety issue discussed at CCC 6 was the classification and transportation of Charcoal and non-declarations and mis-declaration of dangerous goods in accordance with the IMDG Code. There have been several container fires, where commodities of charcoal have shown to be the problem. Presently the special provisions (SP) in the IMDG Code allow transportation of Charcoal as non-dangerous goods. At the meeting it was decided to establish a correspondence group with the aim to review the SP's within the IMDG Code, and identify the rational for the inclusion of the identified SP's. The report from the Correspondance Group will include considerations and actions to be addressed in the next CCC meeting (2020)*

*Next meeting of the CCC sub-committee will be from 14. - 18. September 2020.*