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To: Owners/Operators, Masters, Nautical Inspectors, Recognized Organizations

Subject: LIFEBOAT EXHAUST SYSTEM PIPING

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The Republic of the Marshall Islands Maritime Administrator is issuing this Maritime Safety Advisory to highlight the importance of rigorous lifeboat maintenance, noting specifically exhaust piping arrangements.

The exhaust piping arrangements are typically concealed behind insulation and, as a result, overlooked during inspections on board and during periodical service checks. This can result in corrosion to the piping arrangements which in turn may lead to the potential leaking of noxious fumes internally within the lifeboat.

Owners and operators are urged to ensure exhaust piping checks are carried out rigorously and that they are covered in the vessel's maintenance plans.

Examples of issues found are provided in the photographs below.



This MSA expires one (1) year after its issuance, unless otherwise noted, extended, superseded, or revoked.