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EU MRV accreditation for IRClass

The Indian Register of Shipping (IRClass) has been accredited for EU MRV Monitoring Reporting and Verification services by Raadvoor Accreditatie (RvA). RvA is an internationally reputed, Netherlands based EU notified body for accrediting an organisation as 'Independent Verifier' as per ISO 14065 and



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applicable EU regulation 2015/757.

The EU regulation 2015/757 requires ships of above 5,000 gt, visiting EU ports and while in EU ports to monitor and report their CO₂ emissions, fuel consumption and transport work. As a first step towards compliance, ship-specific monitoring plans need to be



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submitted by the company for assessment by August 31st 2017. At the end of each calendar year commencing with 2018, a ship-specific emissions report is required to be prepared by the company and submitted to an accredited independent verifier for verification.

This accreditation enables IRClass to undertake Assessment of Monitoring Plans and Verification of Emissions Reports (CO₂) an 'Independent Verifier' for any ship, anywhere in the world, regardless of country of ownership, flag state, or class.

Vijay Arora, Joint Managing Director said, "With our systematic procedures, technical expertise, and user friendly electronic tools, IRClass will provide ship-owners and managers with a seamless compliance solution."

IRClass has also gained important recognitions from the USCG with recommended authorisation as a 'Recognised Organisation' to undertake statutory surveys and certification on behalf of USCG. Having received recognition from the EU in August 2016, this recognition from USCG is a major step forward signifying its growing global recognition.

Executive Chairman Arun Sharma said, "This USCG recognition represents a major step forward for IRClass as we strive to join the ranks of truly global classification societies.

With its stringent monitoring processes and focus on high performance and quality, USCG sets high standards of safety and quality in the global shipping industry. IRClass is honoured to receive this RO status."

IRClass established its presence in US through its office in Houston in 2010.

Another significant achievement is the authorisation from European Union Marine Equipment Directive (MarED). The MarED wheelmark has become a quality label for marine equipment on seagoing vessels worldwide as it indicates compliance with the conformity assessment procedures.