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<u>CONTENT</u>: This instruction lists the procedures related to the posting of charges for vessels and services provided by the Marine Department (MD) to user's accounts. The text includes:

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APPENDIX

1. GLOSSARY

1.1 ABBREVIATIONS & ACRONYMS

AI Accounting Instruction
AR Accounting Report

E-Marine Electronic Marine System

FA&PAD Financial Analysis & Performance Advisory Department

GI General Instruction MD Marine Department

MTSD Marine Technical Services Division/MD
OAD Operations Accounting Department
PAD Payables Accounting Division/OAD

PMBA&CD Performance Management, Business Advisory & Costing Division/

FA&PAD

SAP Systems Applications & Products in Data Processing

SAP-FI Financial System Module in SAP

SA&RU Services Accounting & Receivable Unit/ PAD/OAD

1.2 RELATED REPORTS

1.2.1. <u>REPORTS FROM E-MARINE</u>

E-Marine RPT 1 Fleet User Support Details Report E-Marine RPT 2 Fleet List Month Ending Report

E-Marine RPT 3 Vessels Activity Report
E-Marine RPT 4 Offhire Vessels Report
Vessel Assignment Report

1.2.2 <u>OTHER REPORTS</u>

ARB-1 Daily Activity Log

1.3 <u>RELATED INSTRUCTIONS</u>

GI 216.965 Cost Distribution Rates
AI 716 Oil Spill Clean-Up Work

Al 724 Marine Assistance Charges To Third Parties

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2. BACKGROUND

MD acts as a fleet manager providing more than 20 types of oil industry vessels and services that are used to support Saudi Aramco offshore exploration, maintenance, terminal operation, and pollution control activities. Types of vessels include docking tugs, pilot boats, mooring boats, utility/work boats, crew boats, supply boats, diving service boats, jack-up barges, support boats, security boats, pollution control boats, etc. The expenses referred to herein include all costs associated with the charter or ownership, operation, repair, and administration of these vessels and services. Expenses are transferred to users through the E-Marine system and charged as support services cost.

For information regarding special charges, see AI 724 "Marine Assistance Charges to Third Parties" and Accounting Instruction No. 716 "Oil Spill Clean-Up Work".

3. MARINE SUPPORT SERVICES COSTS

3.1 HOURLY RATES

Organizations that use MD vessels or services are charged an hourly rate that is referred to as a Cost Distribution, Budgeting, or Estimating Rate.

3.2 <u>VESSEL AND SERVICE GROUPS</u>

Vessels and services of similar function and capability are grouped together to establish hourly rates which are calculated by dividing the projected annual cost of that group by the total projected time the individual units of that group will be "assigned" to users. Each vessel or service within the group is identified by a unique number referred to as a Vessel, Craft, or Service Code.

3.3 <u>FORECASTED USAGE</u>

Projected "assigned time" is based upon the Marine Vessel-Months Support Services Forecast which is prepared by users during the annual Operating Plan.

3.4 VESSEL ASSIGNMENT FORM

Upon notice of a vessel assignment to a user, Marine Operations personnel prepare a Vessel Assignment Form. This form contains the user account that will be charged for the vessel unless rotating accounts (i.e., work order, internal order, well head numbers) are applicable; in which case, the user will prepare the Vessel Usage Form referred to in Para 3.6.

3.5 <u>VESSEL ACTIVITY FORM</u>

The daily status of a vessel is documented on the Vessel Activity Form prepared by MD personnel. This form indicates the actual assignment status of a vessel through the use of activity codes. These codes are described in Para 5 of this instruction. The Vessel Activity Form applies to situations in which the user charge account does not change frequently.

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3.6 VESSEL USAGE FORM

In situations where the user charge account does change frequently as with work orders, or well head numbers, etc. the Vessel Usage Form is used to document the vessel status and the applicable charge account number. This form is also used to document the status of vessels that change users frequently (diving service vessels, pollution control vessels, etc.) and may be prepared by either MD or user personnel as required by the situation.

3.7 DATA VERIFICATION

MD divisions verify the forms (completeness, accuracy and validity of charge-to numbers) mentioned above and enter the data into E-Marine (see 3.8 below).

3.8 E-MARINE AND ACCOUNTING SYSTEM INTERFACE

The SAP system is the accounting system that processes MD vessel/service charges to the users. The feeder system interface program into which divisions enter the verified data is called <u>E-Marine System</u>. In addition to the accounting interface function via Marine (periodend) SAP Interface, E-Marine provides MD with statistical data regarding fleet operations.

3.9 <u>USER CHARGES</u>

At the end of the accounting month, E-Marine interfaces with SAP-FI system through the Marine (period-end) SAP interface and provides hours of chargeable or non-chargeable activities by Vessel or Activity Type and charge account numbers, when applicable. The SAP system contains the hourly rate that is applicable to each Marine Vessel or Activity Type which, when multiplied by the chargeable hours, results in an accounting entry crediting the cost center of the servicing unit and debiting the user charge account.

4. RATES CHARGED

4.1 PUBLISHED RATES

GI 216.965 "Cost Distribution Rates" contains the applicable hourly rates for Marine vessels and services. These rates are calculated by the MTSD in coordination with PMBA&CD. This instruction also contains general descriptions of the types of services offered, the names of vessels or services, SAP Activity Type, and the normal work schedule (12 or 24 hours per day) of each type of vessel or service.

4.2 CHANGES TO RATES

The Cost Distribution Rates are recalculated annually as a function of the Operating Plan cycle and entered into the SAP system at the beginning of each Operating Plan year. Vessels or services that start-up after the beginning of the Operating Plan year are established in the SAP system within the month of their arrival or start-up dates. Inactive vessels or services are removed for financial processing purposes at the start of each new Operating Plan year.

4.3 RATE DETERMINATION

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Rates are determined by MTSD based on the full cost operating expenses, such as: operating labor and materials, labor and material prorates, maintenance costs, catering costs, utilities, direct depreciation, training and administrative costs, other support services utilized, charter costs (for contractor vessels) and other appropriate expenses.

4.4 ACTUAL EXPENSES

Actual expenses to operate and maintain types of marine craft are collected in a MD cost center for that type of vessel. For example, the costs for all pilot boats are collected in cost center 720728. Reallocated costs from other MD accounts are prorated on a percentage basis to the 720728 cost center for MD expenses such as, asset depreciation from cost center 720130, in-house training costs from cost center 720370, navigation aid support costs from cost center 720381, and the Marine Terminal Operations Division administration from cost center 720700.

4.5 OUTSIDE BENEFICIARIES

Although the MD does not provide marine craft to outside users, the rate the MD charges may affect the amount other Saudi Aramco activities invoice outsiders for services performed, for example: oil spill clean-up. Pilot boat and docking tug services are ordinarily provided without charge at Saudi Aramco ports.

5. ACTIVITIES CHARGEABLE TO USER

The MD records the hours of the work schedule of each vessel or service on the Vessel Activity and Vessel Usage Forms. The following table shows activities chargeable to users:

ID	Activity Code	Description	Charge
1	STM	Steaming	Υ
2	SF-SBT	Safety & Fire - Stand-By Time	Υ
3	W-SBT	Weather-Stand-By Time	Υ
4	WOWT	Waiting on Weather Time	Υ
5	BW-SBT	Bad Weather-Stand-By Time	Υ
6	OET	Operation Engaged Time	Υ
7	DTS	Down Time (Repair Time - (Scheduled))	0
8	DTU	Down Time (Repair Time - (Unscheduled))	0
9	WOS	Waiting on Station	Υ
10	POL-TIME	Patrolling Time	Υ
11	POL-CTR	Pollution Control	Υ
12	OFF	Off-hire	С

Y = Chargeable to User **O** = Chargeable for owned vessel only

C = Non-Chargeable to User

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6. FULL COST REPORTING

- 6.1 Users of Marine vessels and services are charged for the time that the vessels or services are "assigned" to them. Data from E-Marine are processed in SAP to charge the user via activity allocation. These allocations are recorded in secondary cost elements (8000100- Vessel Services, 8000101 Diving Services, or 8000102 Pollution Services) and shown under the Support Services Section of the user's Cost Sheet.
- 6.2 At the end of each month, the net difference between MD's total operating expense (at Full Cost) and credited service cost are allocated to the main business line of Saudi Aramco (Exploration & Producing and Refining, Marketing & International) as part of the Full Cost Administrative and General Overhead Cost (FC-Cost Element 8700020).
- 6.3 Full Cost Reports are available on the Saudi Aramco Corporate Portal Costsheet Dashboard. The MD Cost Center Group in the Saudi Aramco Standard Hierarchy is **S4K--7** (see Appendix- I).

7. RESPONSIBILITIES

- 7.1 **SA&RU** is responsible for:
 - 7.1.1 Examining ARB-1 (Daily Activity Log) report for accuracy.
 - 7.1.2 Posting the Activities as in ARB-1 using SAP transaction KB21N (Enter Direct Activity Allocation).
- 7.2 **MD** is responsible for:
 - 7.2.1 Developing and updating the MD service rates in coordination with PMBA&CD.
 - 7.2.2 Providing new Vessel (Activity) cost allocation rates and annual revision of rates for inclusion in the Operating Plan Instructions and the Cost Distribution Rates G.I. 216.965 maintained by FA&PAD.

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