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Sub: Calibration of Gas Detectors

During the internal/external audits/inspections/surveys, it has been observed that the Gas Detectors such as Oxygen Analyser, Explosimeter etc., held onboard are not periodically calibrated and valid calibration certificate held.

These Gas detectors are used to perform atmosphere tests during enclosed space entries which include finding presence of various gases before issuing an Enclosed Space Entry Permit. To ensure instrument accuracy and system integrity, Gas detectors need to be periodically calibrated. Any deviation to the above can lead to a safety hazard which can even be fatal.

All Masters/CEOs shall ensure that the gas detectors are periodically calibrated and a valid calibration certificate is held on board. Also, it shall be ensured that Enclosed Space Entry Permit is issued after thorough examination of the atmosphere as per checklist GEN – 002 of SMS Checklist Manual ad sec.9.16 of Shipboard Operation Manual.

Compliance to the above shall be verified during audits/inspections/visits of superintendents to vessels.

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To: All Masters / CEOs / PICs / HODs