

# **GOMO, Version 1**

## **Progress Update**



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**Date and Location of Presentation**

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# Review Schedule

- **28-09-2012**
  - First draft circulated for review
  - Request for responses by 16-11-2012
- **09-11-2012**
  - Requests received for extension to review deadline
- **12-11-2012**
  - Review deadline extended until 30-11-2012
  - Included new section relating to project support activities and revised section relating to personnel transfers.
- **22-11-2012**
  - Extraordinary MSF Steering Group Meeting
  - Clarification / re-definition of potential users' requirements / expectations
  - Indication that further extension to review deadline may be required.
- **04, 05-12-2012**
  - Thorough review of comments received up to 30-11-2012 by GOMO Steering Group

# Responses up to 30-11-2012

- **Total of c. 45 Respondents**
  - **Comprising**
    - c. 15 Superintendents or Managers
    - c. 15 Charterers
    - c. 11 Serving Seafarers
    - c. 02 Regulators
    - c. 02 Rig Operators
- **Global Distribution**
- **Further responses received after this date**
- **And there are more out there !!**

# Summary of Comments – 1

- **Preamble too long**
  - Information important, but can be included in Appendices
  - Short Introductory Chapter to be included
  - Relationships with existing Guidelines – (Change Record) – relevant to this revision only and may also be included as Appendix.
- **Document Flow**
  - Does not follow flow of typical voyage
  - Steering Group challenge this
    - Neither does NWEA !!
  - Flow chart to be developed, with “pointers” to relevant parts of Guidelines
- **Grammar, Spelling and Formatting**
  - Circulated for review as “raw” document
  - Services of Technical Editor pending.

# Summary of Comments – 2

- **Competencies and Qualifications of Personnel**
  - Towmasters and Marine Representatives
    - Proposed requirements are to be reviewed, but must include some assessment of capability to support role
    - Requirement for roles to be supported separately is included
    - Specific regional / national requirement to be included in relevant supplements
  - Crane Drivers
    - Range of competency requirements depending on operations being undertaken
    - Any statements in GOMO must therefore relate to operationally specific requirements
- **Vessel Operational Capability**
  - Maximum allowable power consumption on critical manoeuvring facilities
    - 45% when working in drift-on conditions
  - Extensive discussion regarding this matter
    - General view is that some defined limit is necessary, though recognise that likely to remain subject of continuing debate..

# Summary of Comments – 3

- **Operations in Extreme Environmental Conditions**
  - Generally considered useful, but not in main body of document
  - To be moved into Appendices
  - Contents to be reviewed based on comments received.
- **Set Up and Change of Mode Distances from Facility**
  - Extensive discussion relating to this matter
  - Relates to all vessels, **NOT** only those operating on DP
  - Distances may be dependent on the operations supported.
    - Acceptable practices for project and logistics support may be different
  - Change of Mode also includes change of Control Station
  - General view that should be some function of ship length
    - Except where specific requirement to effect change of mode outside safety zone exists
    - Should **NEVER** be less than 50 metres
    - May be different when setting up for operations and when departing from location.

# Summary of Comments – 4

- **NWEA “Nostalgia”**
  - **Wasn’t broke – did not need fixing**
    - It was !!
  - **Icons were helpful**
    - Added significantly to cost of production and printing
    - Voyage flow chart and Regional Supplements will provide same information
  - **Regional References in Title and Appendices**
    - Not acceptable to at least one important potential endorser
    - National and / or regional supplements should provide similar information
  - **Emergent Requirements and Expectations**
    - Would not be supported by NWEA
  - **Changes in Legislation and Lessons Learned from Incidents**
    - Would have involved extensive revision

# Summary of Comments - 5

- **Inclusion of External Guidelines**
  - Desirable if likely to be referred to in Contracts, ITT's
  - Available in public domain
    - Ideally free of charge via Internet.
  - Must be subject to robust peer review
  - Should not afford any commercial benefit to publisher
  - Should be subject of regular review
- **Comments on Appendices**
  - Only limited new information included in proposed Appendices
  - Majority drawn from existing NWEA document



# Requirements and Expectations

- **Desirability for Global Scope**
- **Ability to act as basis for MAROPS manual**
  - May require support by local / regional supplements
    - (more later)
- **Document must be right on final issue**
  - Document must have maximum buy-in from users
  - All responses should be taken into account
  - If this involves further delay then so be it.
  - Present guidance can continue to provide interim support
- **More “robust” guidance may be required**
  - Apparent perception that present guidance has been “dumbed down”
  - This is not the view of the Steering Group

# Further Schedule

- **Response dead-line to be extended**
  - 25<sup>th</sup>. January, 2013 ??
- **Users to be asked for “Wish List”**
  - Relating to requirements / expectations of GOMO
  - **NOT** gap analysis with respect to NWEA.
- **Review by Technical Editor to be put in hand**
  - To run in parallel with further review
- **Anonymised Comment Review Sheets to be circulated for information**
- **Following review of comments received in January, revised draft to be circulated for comment**
  - Technical Editor contributions to be incorporated.
- **Objective will be for publication at MSF AMM in May, 2013.**

# Hierarchy



- **International Maritime Organisation (IMO)**
- **Flag State**
- **Regional or Local Authorities**
  - Original intention to have no national addendums
  - Now identified that regional or national supplements may be required in some instances
- **Charterer's Specific Requirements**
  - To be included in Marine Operations Manual and Charter Party

# Other Matters – 1

- **Document “Ownership”**
  - NOT MSF
    - Use of logo in these presentations may have been confusing
- **Phraseology**
  - GOMO (and NWEA) are Guidance
    - Cannot therefore use “shall” or “must”
      - See flow-chart
- **Discussion and debate promoted !!**
  - Contents subject to thorough review
  - Particularly regarding competencies
    - Vigorous discussion at last review of NWEA which was never resolved
    - Competency matrices to be included



# Clarification regarding Responses

- **All responses to GOMO e-mail address**
  - [GOMO.response@gmail.com](mailto:GOMO.response@gmail.com)
  - Agencies collecting responses from members should ensure that these are forwarded without delay.
- **To facilitate correlation response form to be used**
  - WORD format form can be requested from GOMO e-mail address if necessary
- **All responses to be returned in WORD format**
  - Responses in other formats may not be included in subsequent reviews.

# Future Resourcing

- More formal, funded support arrangements essential
- Cannot continue to rely on “goodwill” of employers and personnel.
  - C. 200 man-days involved to date
  - Travel and support costs in addition
- As minimum, funding for part-time Chair and Secretary required.

# Regional / National Supplements

- **NOT part of GOMO**
  - Supplementary, stand-alone supporting documentation
- **Will NOT be prepared by GOMO Steering Group**
  - To be prepared by locally based organisations
    - e.g. MSF, NSA, DSA, NOGEPA, etc
    - These organisations will also be responsible for maintenance
- **GOMO Steering Group will prepare proposed template for Supplements**
  - To ensure consistency and commonality
  - Proposed format under consideration and will be circulated for comment
- **To be posted on GOMO web-site**
  - This to include main document together with feed-back arrangements
  - Regional / National Icons to open relevant Supplement

**Over to the floor ??**