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INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CLASSIFICATION SOCIETIES (IACS) LAUNCHES NEW GUIDELINES FOR THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY EXISTING SHIPS INDEX (EEXI)

IACS has recently launched [*IACS Recommendation No. 172, EEXI Implementation Guidelines*](#), that has been developed to support the global and consistent implementation of the newly developed EEXI International Maritime Organization (IMO) framework by providing additional advice and guidance on certain elements of the regulatory text where cross-industry discussions had identified technical implementation nuances associated with the EEXI framework.

Specific issues identified as needing further elaboration in Rec.172 include: the approval of the EEXI Technical File; non-overrideable power limitation; EEXI calculation methodology for LNG Carriers; ship type applicability; appropriate Specific Fuel Consumption (SFC) values; and the uniform performing and validating of numerical calculations of the EEXI reference speed (V_{ref}).

With the amendments to MARPOL Annex VI incorporating mandatory EEXI becoming effective on November 1, 2022 and taking effect at the shipboard level on January 1, 2023, it remains vitally important for IACS to provide and maintain clarity and to allow relevant stakeholders to benefit from a common approach amongst IACS members in the calculation of a ship's EEXI.

Your Managers recommend that Members take note of this information and be guided accordingly.