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To whom it may concern

Global Sulphur Cap 2020 – Circular #1

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Dear valued Customer & Partner,

Like all other companies in the Shipping Industry, BREB GmbH & Co. KG is facing the new challenge of the Global Sulphur Cap 2020. Starting 01st January 2020 the limit for sulphur in fuel oils on vessels is reduced from currently max. 3.5% to 0.5% m/m. Positive consequences will be health and environmental benefits, especially close to ports and the coast and a big leap in directions of cleaner and environmental friendlier maritime transportation of cargoes around the globe. As a negative effect for the shipping industry, bunker prices will increase significantly. Consequently, companies have to face the challenge of finding substitutes for fuel or new technical solutions.

New regulations demand various actions on side of the ship-owners, as todays bunker fuels cannot be used anymore. First of all, each shipping company has to set up a Global Sulphur Cap 2020 Ship Implementation Plan, which needs to be approved by a IACS Member Classification Society. Secondly, before change over end of this year, all fuel tanks have to be cleaned from residues of high sulphur fuels and tanks have to be bunkered with new low sulphur qualities.

Since 2017, BREB is delivering its services in line with ISO 14001 - Environmental Management System certified by Lloyds Register and welcomes all possibilities to make the shipping industry significantly greener. BREB and its partners (e.g. technical departments, bunker suppliers) work with the utmost efforts preparing for this change. We are currently searching for possible solutions with new fuel sources like hybrid and blended fuels to minimize the negative cost effect as much as possible.

We will keep you duly posted on all developments in the next months and remain

with best regards

BREB GmbH & Co. KG

Your BREB-Team

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