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**Your ref:**

By E-mail

Dear Chairmen of the Regional Hydrographic Commissions and RENC General Managers,

**World-Wide Electronic Navigational Chart Database working group (WEND-WG)**

1. FOF/HYD/R/320/19/2 dated 11 December 2009 has reference.
2. The responses to the request to designate representatives for the WEND WG have been very positive and based on the replies the Members of the WEND WG are as follows:

Regional Hydrographic Commissions

SWPHC – Mike Prince, MACHC – Kathryn Ries, USCHC – Sean Hinds, EAthC - Ayo Olugbode, SWAtHC – Carlos Medeiros, SAIHC – Abri Kampf, MBSHC – Yves Guillam, NHC – Jens Peter Hartmann, NIOHC – Vinay Badhwar, BSHC – Juha Korhonen, NSHC – Vaughan Nail

RENCs

PRIMAR – Kjell Magne Olsen, IC-ENC – Graham Saundercock

Individual Member States

UK, Norway

3. The WEND WG has its responsibility established in its Terms of Reference (ToR) and has been tasked “To monitor and advise IRCC on the development of adequate ENC coverage to meet the SOLAS V/19 carriage requirements for ECDIS”. As this is also the objective of the WEND WG, it is expected that a report be made to IRCC2.
4. Captain Vaughan Nail (UK) has volunteered to chair the WEND WG and no other nominations were received. If no objections are received by 09 April 2010, it is proposed that the WEND WG starts its activities on 10 April 2010, chaired by Captain Nail and composed by the above-mentioned representatives. It is recommended that the WG should also consider the nomination of a Vice Chair from amongst its members.

Yours sincerely

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