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To: Industry stakeholders, Members and Observers of the IHO North Indian Ocean Hydrographic Commission (NIOHC)

Subject: Industry Participation at NIOHC15

Dear Colleagues,

The IHO and the NIOHC recognises the important part that industry plays in assisting coastal states to meet their SOLAS responsibilities. As such, the Chair would wish industry representatives wishing to participate in the NIOHC to request approval to attend as an observer. The UK is covering the cost of the meeting but would encourage all industry participants to sponsor the cost of a lunch or refreshment break for the delegates or agree to speak on a specific topic set by the chair.

There is a wide range of hydrographic and cartographic capability amongst the coastal states within the commission region; whilst some have advanced capability many have very limited resources for these activities, relying heavily on capacity building initiatives or with assistance from other states.

Further details regarding the NIOHC can be found on the [IHO website](#). Logistics and agenda details are contained within the NIOHC Circular Letters.

Industry representatives requesting to attend either to sponsor an event or to present to the meeting are asked to contact the NIOHC secretariat at: International.Relationsukho@ukho.gov.uk.

I very much hope that you will be able to participate.

Rear Admiral Tom Karsten
UK National Hydrographer and NIOHC Chairman

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