

	Information Notice 2014-005
	DEPARTMENT OF MARINE SERVICES AND MERCHANT SHIPPING (ADOMS)
	Det Norske Veritas and Germanischer Lloyd merger to form DNV GL; Certification issues

1. Introduction

As has been widely publicized Classification Societies Det Norske Veritas (DNV) and Germanischer Lloyd (GL) have merged to form DNV GL AS. (DNV GL)

Both DNV and GL are Recognized Organizations (R.O.'s) and Recognized Security organizations (R.S.O.'s) authorized to conduct audits, inspections, surveys and issue statutory certification on behalf of the Government of Antigua and Barbuda – Department of Marine Services and Merchant Ships (ADOMS). This notice is intended to advise ship owners, managers and other interested third parties of the implications of the merger of DNV with GL, for Antigua and Barbuda flagged ships classed with DNV or GL or where either DNV or GL has issued ISM, ISPS, ILO, or other statutory certificates issued in accordance with International Conventions to which Antigua and Barbuda is a party.

2. Recognized Organization.

Both DNV and GL acted as R.O.'s under separate agreements with ADOMS. It has been agreed that the existing agreement with DNV is to be used as the agreement for DNV GL until such time as a new agreement is made.

3. Statutory Certification issued by DNV and GL

ADOMS will continue to recognize all statutory certification issued by DNV or GL under the respective existing R.O. agreements as well as those issued by DNV GL based on the existing R.O. agreement with DNV. When endorsements are made to certificates; these may be done under the official stamps of DNV, GL or DNV GL.

4. Continuous Synopsis Records

Continuous Synopsis Records (CSR) require that the Classification Societies and issuing bodies for the Safety Management Certificate, Document of Compliance and International Ship Security Certificate to be identified on the CSR.

In order to reduce the administrative burden placed on owners and ADOMS; ADOMS will not require CSR's to be re-issued to reflect the merger of DNV with GL. The DNV and GL merger to form DNV GL will only be reflected on new CSR's which are issued due to a change of other mandatory information on the CSR document (e.g. change of name, change of owner/manager details, transfer of class, etc.).

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