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Subject:	Mandatory ship reporting system
Reference:	IMO MSC 389(94)

Mandatory ship reporting system to enter into force effective from June 1st, 2015

The mandatory ship reporting system “Off Chengshan Jiao Promontory” has been amended by International Maritime Organization (IMO) Resolution **MSC 389(94)**. The amended reporting system enters into force 1 June 2015.

The waters covered by the system are those with the VTS Centre (geographical position is 37°23'.65N, 122°42'.12E) as the center and 24 miles as the radius.

Ships required to participate are:

- passenger ships;
- all oil tankers 150 gross tonnage and above;
- all ships carrying hazardous cargo;
- ships of LOA more than 200 m or draft more than 12 m;
- ships engaged in towing or pushing another ship, regardless of gross tonnage; and
- ships are compulsory to report to VTS in circumstances where they
 - are “not under command” or at anchor in the TSSs,
 - are “restricted in their ability to maneuver”; or
 - have defective navigational equipment.

Should a ship fail to comply with the mandatory reporting requirements, appropriate measures will be taken by the Chinese authorities to enforce compliance, consistent with international law.

See IMO Resolution **MSC.389 (94)** for the full text of this mandatory reporting system, including a simplified boundary chart.

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