GENERAL NOTICE TO MASTERS AND PILOTS

NO. 02/2014

FUMIGATED CARGOES

A recent incident at another UK port involved spent fumigation canisters re-igniting when ships cargo hatches were opened. The fumes entered the vessels accommodation and spread over the quayside to the extent that both the quay and vessel had to be evacuated and emergency medical assistance requested.

Masters are to advise the Harbour Masters office and their ships agent if they are either carrying used fumigation canisters in their hold or if they intend to fumigate whilst in port. In such cases the allocated pest control contractor and type of fumigant used must also be reported.

Cargo fumigation will continue to be permitted in the port but it is important that it is properly planned, that port workers are fully aware and health and safety risks are avoided.

Capt E.H.Deeley

Harbour Master – Port of Silloth

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The following ‘General Notices to Masters and Pilots’ remain in force:

02/11 Standard Berthing Procedure
03/11 Manoeuvring in Strong Winds
04/11 Running and Handling of Ships Lines
01/12 Turning Prior to Entry
02/12 Steering and Bridge Team Management
04/12 Passage Plans (Only issued as Notice to Pilots)
07/12 Bridge Control Systems – (Only issued as Notice to Pilots)
03/13 Transfer of Ship Control Systems
04/13 Hatches Closed
05/13 Passing vessels
06/13 Pilot Ladder Defects, Raising Awareness – (Only issued as Notice to Pilots)
01/14 Reporting of Vessel Defects
02/14 Fumigated Cargoes