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Proposal for Handling **Grey Water** in the **Arctic** Water

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INTRODUCTION

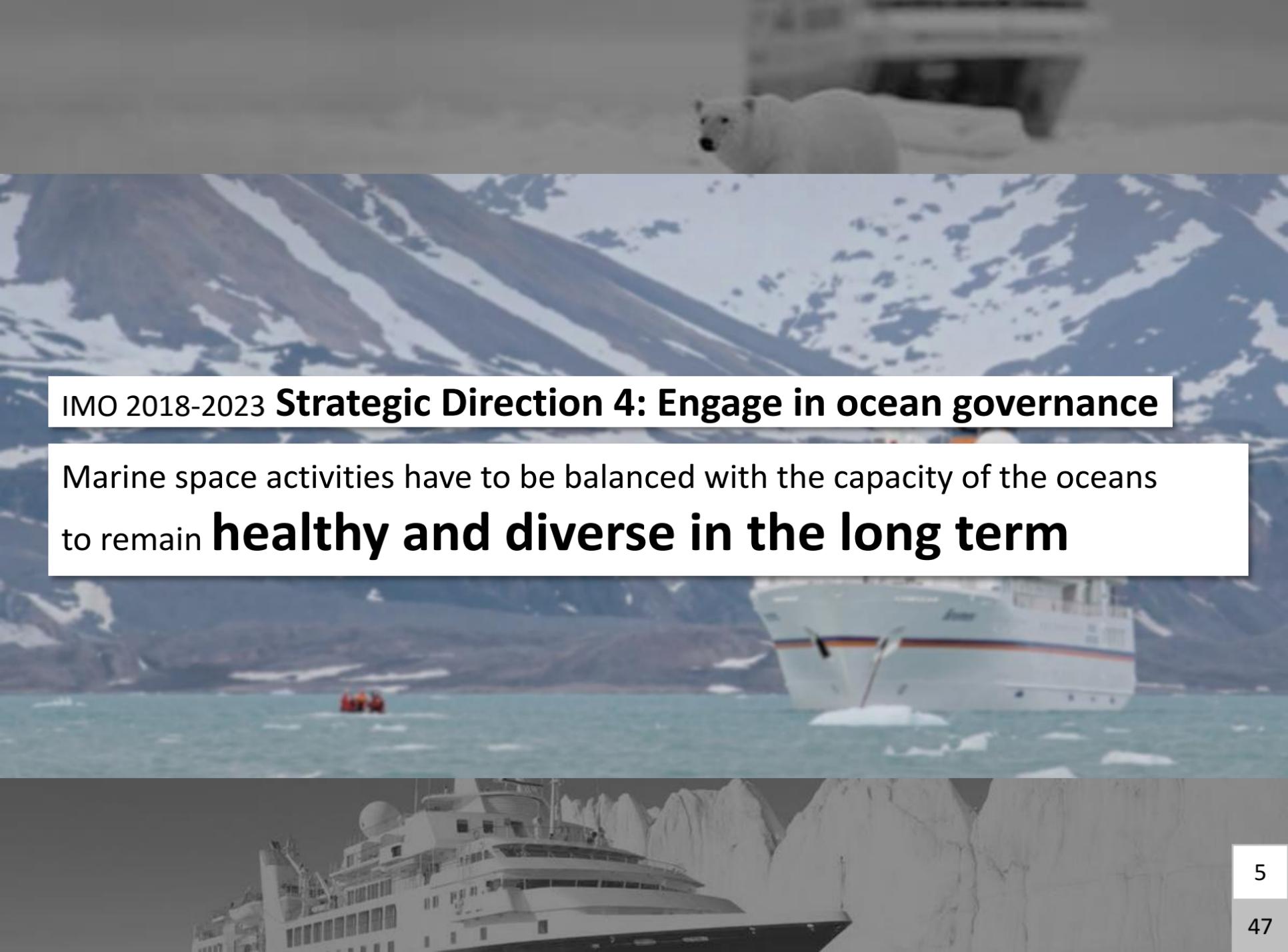


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A polar bear is standing on a small, isolated ice floe in the Arctic. In the background, a large cruise ship is visible, suggesting a potential impact on the environment.

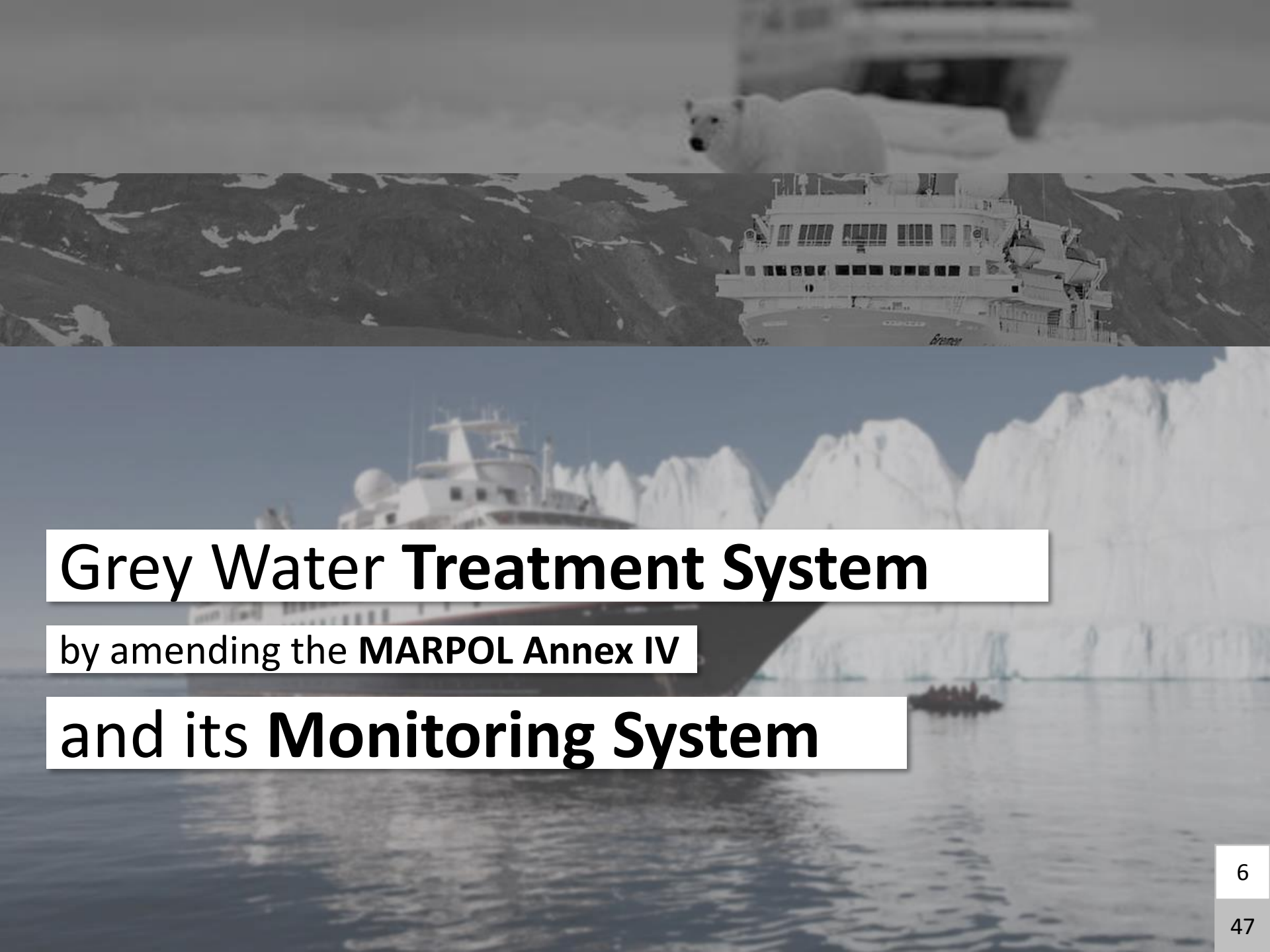
The **Grey Water** from Ship might cause **Negative Effect on the Arctic**





IMO 2018-2023 **Strategic Direction 4: Engage in ocean governance**

Marine space activities have to be balanced with the capacity of the oceans to remain **healthy and diverse in the long term**



Grey Water Treatment System

by amending the **MARPOL Annex IV**

and its **Monitoring System**

BACKGROUND

Part 01



- Increasing Vessel Traffic in the Arctic
- Increasing Grey Water Generation from Ships
- Why the Arctic is Important?
- Why the Grey Water should be Regulated?

Handling Grey Water in the Arctic Water

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Increasing
Vessel Traffic
in the Arctic

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Increasing
Grey Water Generation
from ships

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Why
the **Grey Water**
should be **Regulated**?

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Why
the **Arctic**
is **important**?

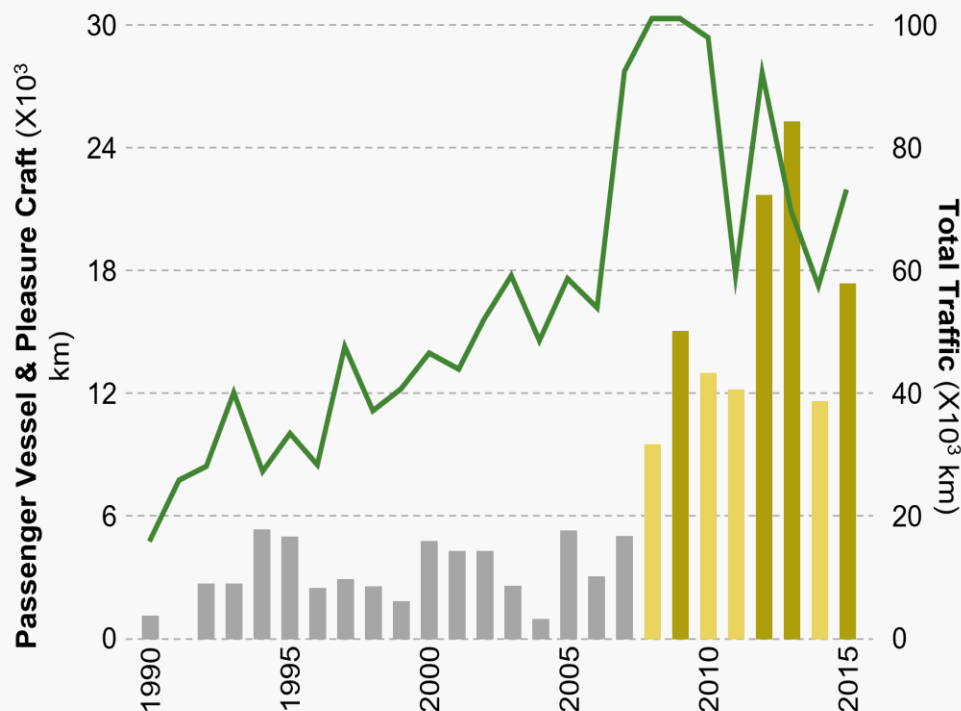


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Increasing Vessel Traffic in the Arctic

Increasing Vessel Traffic in the Arctic ISR from 1990

Distance Traveled within ISR



Source: "Tourist vessel traffic in important whale areas in the western Canadian Arctic : Risks and possible management solutions". Marine Policy. November 2018

Technology development
& Decrease of Sea Ice

Vessel Traffic in the Arctic ↑

- Tripled than 1980s
- STRONG INCREASE in Passenger Vessel & Pleasure Craft (2008 ~ 2015)

Passenger / Cruise Ships

- The large number of people onboard
- Long sailing period (24~28days)

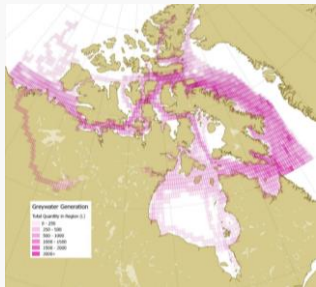


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Increasing Grey Water Generation from Ships

Increasing Grey Water Generation and Discharge from ships in the Arctic

Forecast Generation Density of Grey Water

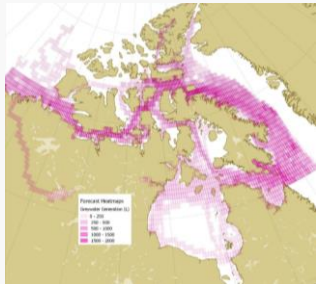


2016

13,460,855 L



45% increase

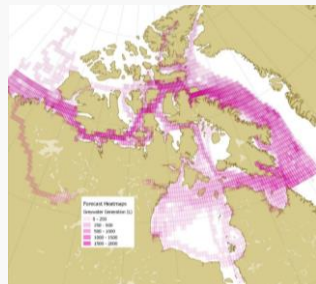


2025

20,778,026 L



104% increase



2035

27,422,155 L

Increasing Generation Density
of **Total Grey Water** in Arctic

Source: "Canadian arctic greywater report: estimates, forecasts, and treatment technologies". Vard Marine Inc. 2018.

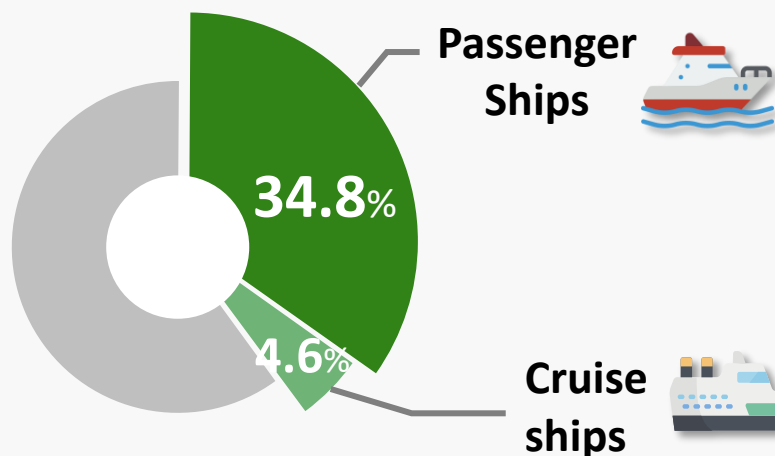


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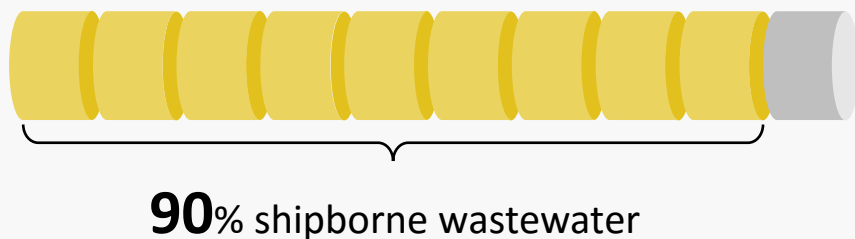
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Increasing Grey Water Generation and Discharge from ships in the Arctic

Greywater Generated in the Canadian Arctic in 2016



Proportion of greywater in shipborne wastewater



Source: "Cruise Ship Pollution: Background, Laws and Regulations, and Key Issues". CRS. 2008

Increasing Generation Density of Total Grey Water in Arctic

About **40%** of Shipborne Grey Water was from **Passenger/Cruise ships**

90% of wastewater from **Cruise** is Grey Water



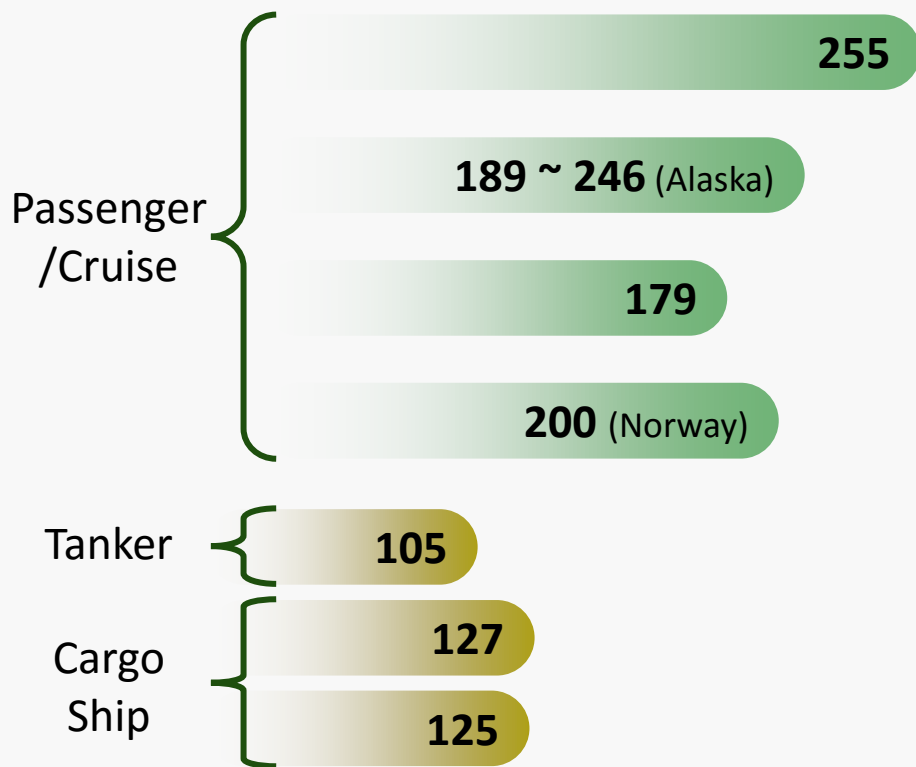
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Increasing Grey Water Generation from Ships

Increasing Grey Water Generation and Discharge from ships in the Arctic

Passenger / Cruise ship grey water production

(Liters/person/day)



Source: "Graywater Discharges from Vessels". U.S. EPA. 2011.

Increasing Generation Density of Total Grey Water in Arctic

About 40% of Shipborne Grey Water was from Passenger/Cruise ships

90% of wastewater from Cruise is Grey Water

Passenger/Cruise ships generate much **more amount** of Grey Water per ship **than other types**



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Why the Arctic is Important?

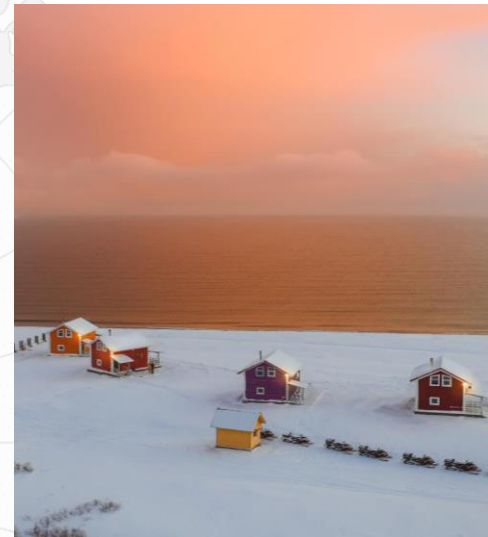
Specificity of the Arctic environment and Grey Water Regulation



**Critical than
Open Ocean**



**Disturb
food chains**




**Illnesses to
Indigenous people**



Why the Grey Water should be Regulated?

The Danger of Grey Water and the Exist Regulations

Untreated Grey Water Compared with Domestic Sewage

 Grey Water	Fecal coliform FCU/100 ml	TSS mg/L	BOD ₅ mg/L	Phosphorus mg/L
Raw domestic sewage	10,000 ~100,000	120 ~360	1 ~4	4 ~ 8
Galley grey water	804	3,951	9,018	65
Accommodation grey water	1,117,760	108	177	2
Laundry grey water	185	46	90	7
Food pulper waste water	110,562	16,481	30,490	186
Small cruise ship				5
Large ship grey water				9

Grey Water

Domestic Water

Biochemical Oxygen , Suspended Solids, etc

Source: Ed White. "Grey Water from Passenger Vessels in Alaska 2000-2019". Ocean Conservancy. 2021



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CONSTITUENTS

Microplastics
Nutrients
Detergent Residue
Soap Residue
Bacteria
Pathogens
Suspended Solids
Pesticides
Phosphates

...



Environmental Problems

Shellfish
Contamination
Harmful Algal
Blooms(HABs)
Hypoxic Water
Generation
Marine Dead Zones
...



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The Danger of Grey Water and the Exist Regulations

Canada

- Operators should process grey water and discharge before entering a zero-discharge region

Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act

USA

- Alaska ;
 - Treatment requirements for black & grey water
 - Monitoring & Inspections
 - Requirements for Emission & Impacts

USC Title XIV - Certain Alaskan Cruise Ship Operations



Untreated or
Treated to **Unknown Standards**

ILLEGAL



PROBLEM ANALYSIS



Part 02

- The Relevant Committee and Convention
- Definitions of Grey Water in IMO
- MARPOL Annex IV
- Polar Code
- What is the Problem?

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The Relevant Committee and Convention

MEPC, MARPOL and Polar Code

MEPC

The Marine Environment
Protection Committee

- ▶ The Committee addresses **environmental issues** to control and protect ship-source oil, chemical carried in bulk, sewage, and garbage.
- ▶ The Committee covers issues related with MARPOL and other matters - ballast water management, anti-fouling systems, ship recycling, etc

- ▶ The Convention covers **prevention** of pollution of the **marine environment by ships** from operational or accidental causes.
- ▶ The Convention currently includes **six technical Annexes** and Special Areas with strict controls on operational discharges.

MARPOL

The International Convention
for the **Prevention of
Pollution from Ships**

POLAR CODE

International Code for Ships
Operating in **Polar Waters**

- ▶ The Code is applied to all ships operating in polar waters - harsh and challenging.
- ▶ The Code imposes additional demands beyond the existing SOLAS and MAROL requirements and other IMO instruments on the ships, systems and operation.



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Definitions of Grey Water in IMO

Definitions of Grey Water in MEPC.227 and MEPC.295



MEPC.227(64)

2012 Guidelines on Implementation of Effluent Standards and Performance Test for Sewage Treatment Plants

2.7. *Grey water* – is **drainage from dishwater, galley sink, shower, laundry, bath and washbasin drains** and **does not include** drainage from toilets, urinals, hospitals, and animal spaces, **as defined in regulation 1.3 of MARPOL Annex IV** and does not include drainage from cargo spaces.

MEPC.295(71)

2017 Guidelines for the Implementation of MARPOL Annex V

1.6.3 ... *Grey water* is **not considered garbage** in the context of **MARPOL Annex V**.



Regulation 1 Definition

MARPOL Annex IV

Sewage

- drainage and other wastes from any form of toilets and urinals
- drainage from medical premises via wash basins
- drainage from spaces containing living animals
- other waste waters when mixed with the drainages defined above

Guidelines for the Implementation of Annex V

Grey Water

- drainage from dishwater, galley sink, shower, laundry, bath and washbasin drains
- NOT INCLUDE reg 1.3 of Annex IV
- NOT INCLUDE drainage from cargo spaces



RESOLUTION MEPC.115(51)
Adopted on 1 April 2004
AMENDMENTS TO THE ANNEX OF THE PROTOCOL OF 1978 RELATING
TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION OF
POLLUTION FROM SHIPS, 1973

Appendix

FORM OF CERTIFICATE

International Sewage Pollution Prevention Certificate

Issued under the provisions of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto, and as amended by resolution MEPC.115(51), (hereinafter referred to as "the Convention") under the authority of the Government of:

(full designation of the country)

by (full designation of the competent person or organization authorized under the provisions of the Convention)

Particulars of ship¹

Name of ship

Distinctive number or letters

Port of registry

Gross tonnage

Number of persons which the ship is certified to carry

IMO Number²

New/existing ship³

Date on which keel was laid or ship was at a similar stage of construction or, where applicable, date on which work for a conversion or an alteration or modification of a major character was commenced

¹ Alternatively, the particulars of the ship may be placed horizontally in boxes.

² Refer to the IMO Ship Identification Number Scheme adopted by the Organization by resolution A.600(15).

³ Delete as appropriate.

Regulation 9 Sewage Systems

Criteria for
Sewage Treatment System
or Holding Tanks

Regulation 11 Discharge of Sewage

Condition for discharge sewage
into the sea

Regulation 12 Reception Facilities

Provisions of facilities
at port and terminals

NO regulations



Chapter 4

Prevention of Pollution by Sewage from Ships

4.2.1 Discharges of sewage within polar waters are prohibited except when performed in accordance with MARPOL Annex IV and the following requirements:



What is the Problem?

Problems Regarding Handling Grey Water in Arctic Water

MEPC 63/23

2.36 Having considered document MEPC 63/2/18 (Norway) seeking clarification of application of the BWM Convention to grey water and sewage stored in ballast tanks, the Committee agreed, after extensive discussions, that handling of grey water and sewage water on board ships should be regulated under MARPOL Annex IV and invited Parties to propose relevant amendments to that Annex for consideration at a future session of the Committee.

- Vessel grey water **NOT REGULATED** internationally
- Already be **COGNIZANT** of necessity by IMO

GREY WATER REGULATION



PROPOSALS



Part
03

- Proposal for Handling Vessel Grey Water
- Treatment Sector : On-Board Treatment System
- Treatment Sector : Reception Facility
- Treatment Sector : Gradual Application
- Monitoring Sector : Monitoring system

MARPOL Annex IV : Regulations for the Prevention of Pollution by Sewage from Ships

Regulation 1 Definitions

INSERT new paragraph 9

- 9 "Grey Water" means:
- .1 drainage from dishwater, shower, laundry, bath and washbasin drains;
 - .2 drainage from shop sinks and deck drains in non-engine rooms, and whirlpools; or
 - .3 refrigerator and air conditioner condensate, and inter alia.



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Proposal for Handling Vessel Grey Water

Treatment and Monitoring Sector

Measurements



Treatment

- On-board Treatment System
- Reception Facilities



Monitoring

Discharge-Pollution-Impact
Monitoring System

Implements

Phase 3 Apply Arctic All Type Ships

Phase 2 Apply Arctic Passenger Ships

Phase 1 Research & Prepare for regulation

STEP 01

Investigation

STEP 02

Measure & Monitor

STEP 03

Analyze & Predict



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Treatment Sector : On-Board Treatment System

Discharge or Reuse Treated Grey Water On Board

Measurements



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Regulation 9 Sewage Systems

REPLACE word “sewage” with “sewage and grey water”

1 Every ship which, in accordance with regulation 2, is required to comply with the provisions of this Annex shall be equipped with one of the following **sewage** systems:

- .1 a **sewage** treatment plant which shall be of a type approved by the Administration, taking into account the standards and test methods developed by the Organization*, or

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Treatment Sector : On-Board Treatment System

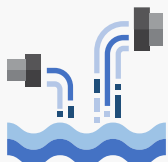
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Discharge After Treatment



Comminute & Disinfect



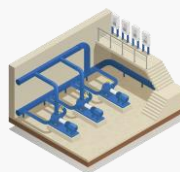
Discharge



- Pollutant Level ↓
- Secure Indigenous People's Food Security

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Reuse After Treatment



Comminute & Disinfect



Reuse on-board



Energy Saving & Water Pollution ↓



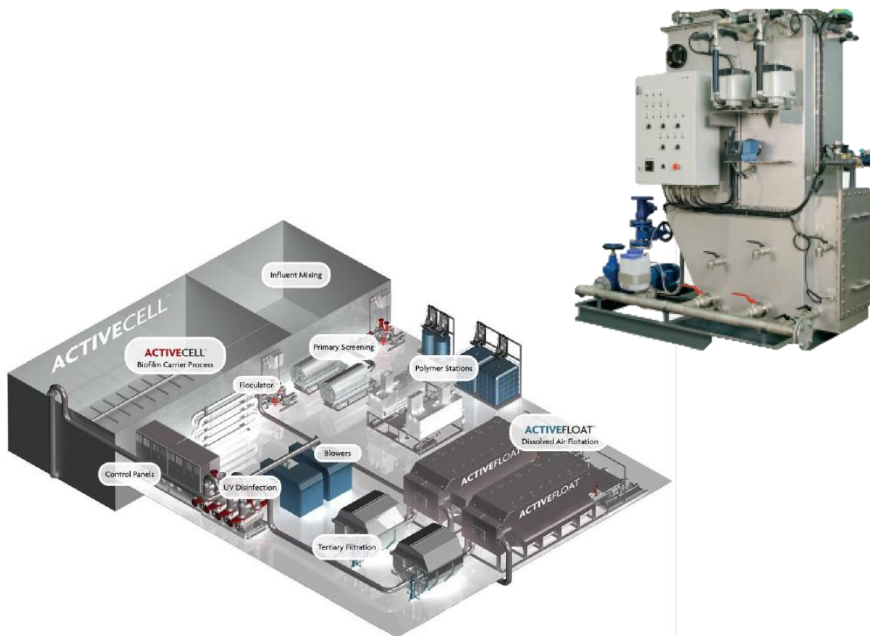
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Treatment Sector : On-Board Treatment System

Discharge or Reuse Treated Grey Water On Board

AWTS Advanced Water Treatment System

MBR Membrane Bioreactor



LESSEN

- Bacteria
- Microplastic
- Chemical Substances

SOLVE

- Mixed Volume Increase
- Solids & Nutritional load
- Laundry Chemicals, etc



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Treatment Sector : Reception Facility

Port/Terminal Provision of Reception Facility

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Regulation 12 Reception Facilities

INSERT new paragraph 3

- 3 The Government of each Party to the Convention, which has ports and terminals under its jurisdiction in the Arctic, undertakes to ensure that:
- .1 the facilities for the reception of grey water are provided in ports and terminals which are used by passenger ships operating in the Arctic;
 - .2 the facilities are adequate to meet the needs of those passenger ships operating in the Arctic; and
 - .3 the facilities are operated so as not to cause undue delay to those passenger ships operating in the Arctic.



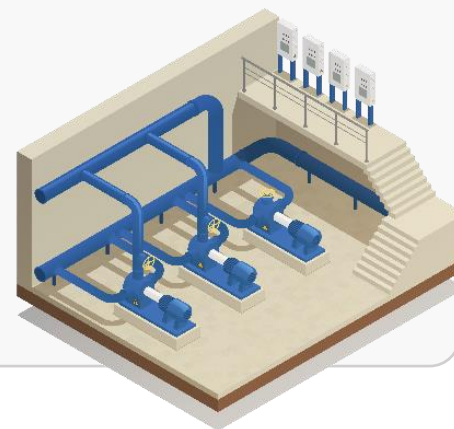
Object and Goal

- For ships **not equipped certificated treatment system**
ex) small ships, old cruises
- For **proper and systematic** grey water treatment process
- To **reduce illegal grey water discharges**



Example of Reception Facilities

- **Tank trucks / Mobile** reception facilities for ships which cannot use land facilities
- Narrow the **interval of the discharge points**
- Supplement **existing sewage facilities**



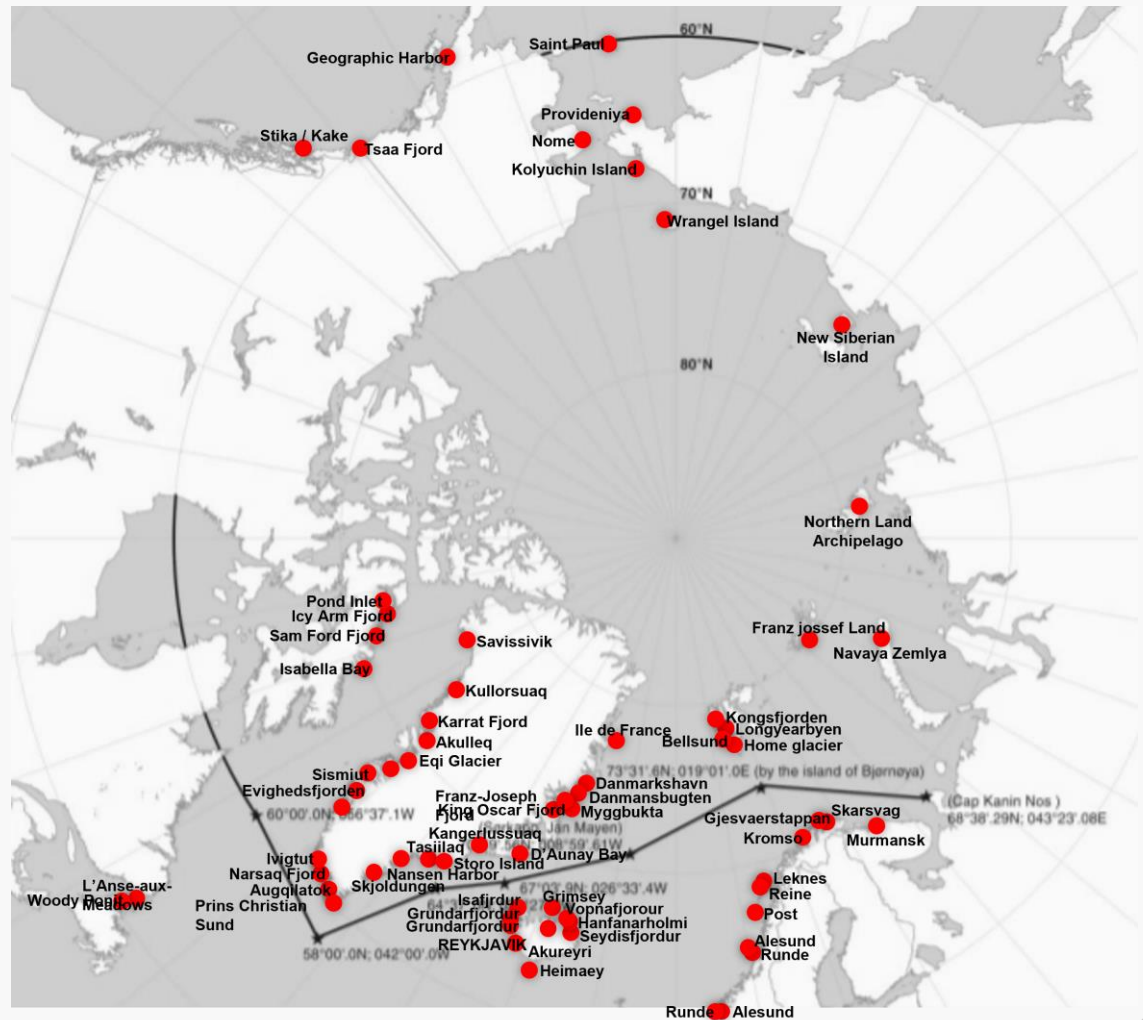
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Treatment Sector : Reception Facility

Port/Terminal Provision of Reception Facility

Example of Ports & Anchorages in the Arctic

Extent of Arctic waters
& **Major ports** of cruise
(Crystal Cruise, Ponant)



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Treatment Sector : Gradual Implement

3 Phases to Apply Grey Water Treatment Regulations

Measurements



Treatment

- On-board Treatment System
- Reception Facilities



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Discharge-Pollution-Impact
Monitoring System

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Treatment Sector : Gradual Implement

3 Phases to Apply Grey Water Treatment Regulations



Apply to
ALL VESSELS

Phase 3

Apply Arctic All Type Ships

Phase 2

Apply Arctic Passenger Ships

Phase 1

- Before the amended regulations take effect
- Estimate grey water generation/discharge in the Arctic
- Prepare Reception Facilities and Treatment Systems



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Monitoring Sector : Monitoring system

Discharge-Pollution-Impact Monitoring System

Measurements



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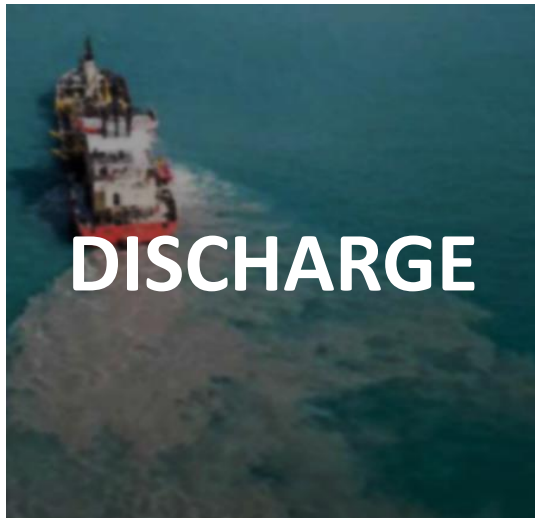
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STEP 03

Analyze & Predict



The object for implementation of Monitoring System



- Source of Pollutant
- Amount of Pollutant



- Pollutant concentration
- Pollutant diffusion



- Analyze, Predict effects
- Local Societies
- Ecosystems



Gradual steps for implementation of Discharge – Pollution – Impact Monitoring System

STEP 01

Investigation

- Investigate pollutants
- Determine target ships & Investigate emissions
- Estimate data & Assess the risks

STEP 02

Measure & Monitor

- Monitor in Port & Region
- Measure water pollutant concentration in the sea

STEP 03

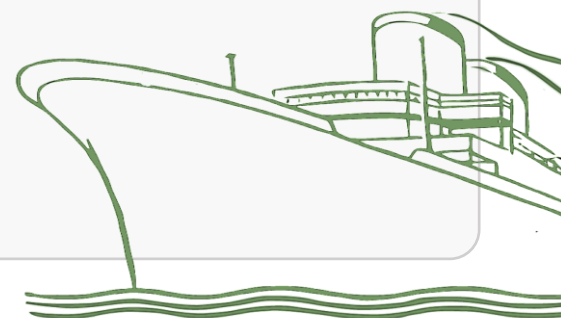
Analyze & Predict

- Analyze & predict
Impacts on the Arctic
from various angles
- Utilize already equipped
system – AIS, etc



Expected Effects

- **Systematic Management at Port/Terminal**
for Grey Water Discharge from the Ship
- **Assessment of Continuity & Effectiveness**
of this regulation
- **Internationally Standardized Method**
for measurement & prediction
of grey water production/discharge
- **Baseline Data** for various researches



CONCLUSION



Part
04

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Main Points of Proposals

Proposal for Handling Grey Water in the Arctic Water



Background

- Increasing **Vessel Traffic** in the Arctic
- Increasing **Grey Water Generation** from ships
- Specificity of **the Arctic**
- Risk of **Grey Water**

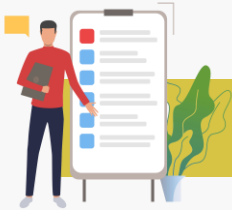


Problem

- NO **International/Mandatory** Regulations for grey water
- Already be **Cognizant** of **Necessity** for Regulation by IMO



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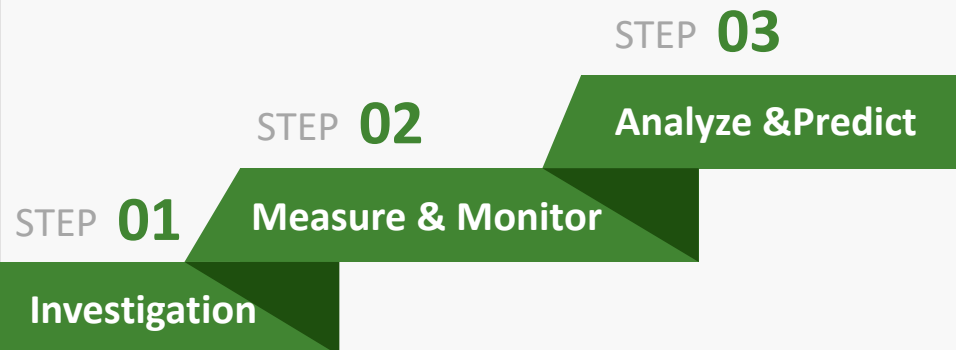
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A research ship is visible in the lower-left portion of the slide, navigating through a field of icebergs. The ship has a white upper hull and a dark lower hull, with various antennas and equipment on its deck. The background consists of numerous large, white icebergs floating in a calm sea under a grey, overcast sky.

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PREVENTIVE & SUSTAINABLE management

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TRIGGERS for
PREEMPTIVE regulations / international discussions

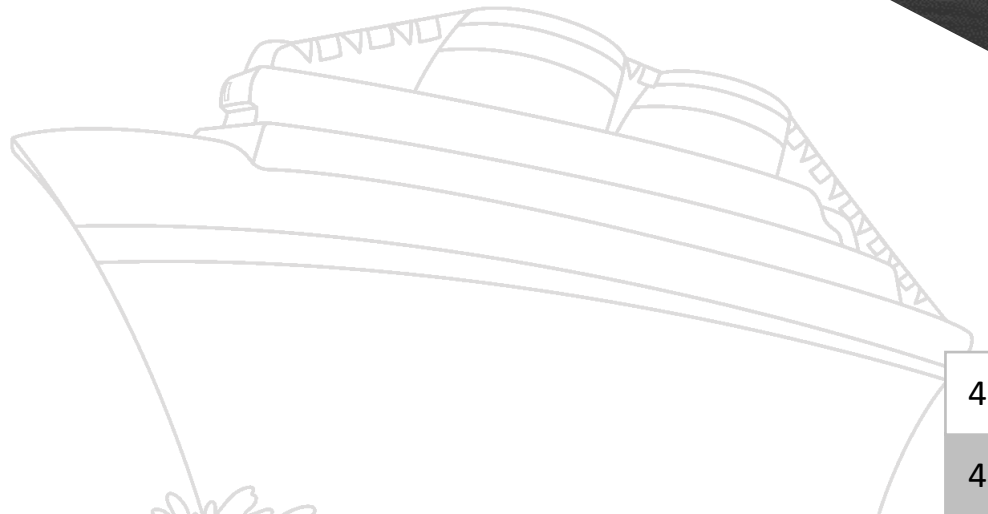
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