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The Swedish Transport Agency's response to a recommendation in Final Report SHK 2023:11 Huckleberry Finn – Personal accident in conjunction with loading in the Port of Trelleborg on 19 August 2022

Introduction

Below we describe how we intend to handle the safety recommendation SHK directs at the Swedish Transport Agency.

Handling of recommendation

The Swedish Transport Agency is recommended to:

investigate how equivalent supervision of the work environment can be ensured for vessels that have delegated supervision and for vessels on which the Swedish Transport Agency conducts periodic supervision. This investigation should include an assessment of what consequences the difference in how the work environment is supervised may have from the perspective of safety. (see section 3.5). (SHK 2023:11 R4)

Response:

The Transport Agency intends to implement the above recommendation in the following way:

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The Swedish Transport Agency will chart and analyse what supervision of the work environment (e.g. scope and level of detail of the supervision) that is conducted by the recognised organisations (on delegated vessels) and by the Swedish Transport Agency, respectively (on non-delegated vessels for which the Swedish Transport Agency issues seaworthiness certificates, MLC and approved safety organisation certificate, ISM).



In this analysis, the Swedish Transport Agency will also explain whether and if so which requirements within the field of work environment have not been checked by the recognised organisations, and produce clarifying instructions for these organisations in order to ensure that the requirements continue being checked by these organisations.

With respect to the requirements the Swedish Transport Agency says cannot be linked to the delegated areas MLC and ISM, the Swedish Transport Agency will produce a plan for how these requirements are to be checked on vessels that engage recognised organisations for periodic supervision. The Swedish Transport Agency makes the assessment that the investigation will be completed in the fourth quarter of 2024.

Decisions in this case have been made by Christina Berlin, Head of Section, Analysis Section. Pernilla Wallin, Head of Unit at the Unit for Vessels and Seaworthiness, has participated in the final administration of the case. Heads of Section Fredrik Hellsberg and Anna Bizzozero, Maria Sakari, R.O. coordinator, Yesim Atak, Work Environment Administrator, and Patrik Jönsson, Accident Coordinator, the latter acting as rapporteur.

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