APPENDIX D TO PART 157—EXAMPLE OF A PROCEDURE FOR DEDICATED CLEAN BALLAST TANKS OPERATIONS

1. Source. The example procedure for dedicated clean ballast tanks operation contained in this appendix conforms to the Annex of Resolution 14 of the MARPOL Protocol.

2. Example Procedure. Dedicated clean ballast tanks operational procedure:

(a) Before arrival at the loading port:
   (1) Transfer all remaining oily mixtures to a cargo tank.
   (2) Ensure that the pumping and piping designated for clean ballast operation have been properly cleaned to accommodate simultaneous discharge of clean ballast while loading.
   (3) Ensure that all valves to the slop tank and cargo tanks are closed.
   (4) Perform visual inspection of all dedicated clean ballast tanks and their contents, if any, for signs of contamination.
   (5) Discharge a sufficient amount of clean ballast water to ensure that remaining ballast water and cargo to be loaded will not exceed the permissible deadweight or draft. Leave a sufficient amount of water for flushing the piping, and as a minimum, a quantity equal to 10 times the volume of the affected piping.
   (6) Ensure that all valves to the dedicated clean ballast tanks are closed.
   (7) If no further ballast discharge is anticipated, drain the clean ballast piping.
   (b) In the loading port:
      (1) Perform normal loading operations of cargo tanks.
      (2) Ensure sufficient slop tank capacity is available for subsequent reception of cargo pump and piping flushings.
      (3) When applicable, discharge remaining clean ballast before entire piping system is used for loading. Leave the required minimum quantity of flushing water in ballast tanks.
      (4) Ensure that all valves to the dedicated clean ballast tanks are closed.
      (5) Ensure that all valves to the cargo tank are closed upon completion of loading.
      (c) After departure from the loading port:
         (1) Flush appropriate pumping and piping with sufficient water from dedicated clean ballast tanks into a slop tank.
         (2) Ensure that valves to the slop tank are closed before pumping the remaining clean water overboard and monitoring oil content of the water.
         (3) Ensure that all valves in the dedicated clean ballast tanks are closed.
         (d) Before arrival at the unloading port:
            (1) Ensure that all valves to the slop tank and cargo tanks are closed.
            (2) Recheck that the pumping and piping designated for clean ballast operation have been properly cleaned.
            (3) Ballast through clean cargo pumps and piping, considering the port’s draft requirements.
            (4) Ensure that all valves in the dedicated clean ballast tanks are closed.
            (5) Discharge a sufficient amount of clean ballast into the slop tank.
            (6) Complete unloading.
            (f) After departure from the unloading port:
               (1) Flush pumps and piping servicing the dedicated clean ballast tanks into the slop tank.
               (2) Top up dedicated clean ballast tanks.
               (3) Process the slop tank content in accordance with load on top (LOT) procedures.

APPENDIX E TO PART 157—SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE DESIGN, INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A PART FLOW SYSTEM FOR CONTROL OF OVERBOARD DISCHARGES

Source. Appendix 2 to Annex 5 of IMO’s Marine Environment Protection Committee document MEPC/Circ. 97. Paragraphs 1 and 2 are printed for information. Paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 are incorporated into §§157.11 and 157.37.

Note: Information in square brackets on Figure 1 has been added by the Coast Guard for clarity.

1 Purpose

The purpose of these Specifications is to provide specific design criteria and installation and operational requirements for the part flow system referred to in Regulation 18(6)(e) of Annex I of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973 as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto.

2 Application

2.1 Existing oil tankers may, in accordance with Regulation 18(6)(e) of Annex I of MARPOL 73/78, discharge dirty ballast water and oil contaminated water from cargo tank areas below the waterline, provided part of the flow is led through permanent piping to a readily accessible location on the upper deck or above where it may be visually observed during the discharge operation and provided that the arrangements comply with the requirements established by the Administration and which shall at least contain all the provisions of these Specifications.