

Circular From LONDON**Date: 12 April 2017****Liquefaction - Reducing risk of bulk cargo liquefaction**

Despite an improvement in the awareness of the risks associated with the carriage of cargoes such as iron ore fines, coal, manganese ore fines and nickel ore, incidents involving liquefaction continue to occur, sometimes with catastrophic and tragic results. The main, mandatory requirements for the safe carriage of solid bulk cargoes are stipulated in the IMSBC Code.

However, to assist with safe carriage, the London P&I Club, working in co-operation with leading classification society Bureau Veritas and its casualty and salvage subsidiary TMC Marine, has produced an operational guide, 'Reducing the Risk of Liquefaction'. This guide provides general guidance and practical advice to masters, ship owners, shippers and charterers on the loading and carriage of bulk cargoes which may liquefy, the risks associated with liquefaction, and the precautions which should be taken to minimise those risks, both before acceptance of the cargo and during carriage.

An electronic copy of the guide can be obtained by clicking [here](#) but should Members or Assureds involved in the carriage of cargo prone to liquefaction require a hard copy, please contact publications@londonpandi.com.

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