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Response to China Maritime Safety Administration (MSA) re. Proposal for a new guideline on buoy tender crew operation

# INTRODUCTION

China MSA submitted an input paper ARM15-3.2.1 Proposal for a new guideline on buoy tender crew operations, sharing its experience in improving the capability of buoy tender crew to perform their duties, and requested that consideration be given to the formulation of a new IALA guideline addressing this topic.

# DISCUSSION

The Committee agrees that the topic of buoy tender crew operations dealing with the deployment and retrieval of AtoN warrants guidance being given to IALA members and hence supports the idea of a new guideline to address this topic.

It is furthermore of the opinion that such a guideline may require cross-committee work between ARM and ENG.

# ACTION REQUIRED

ENG is requested to consider the ARM Committees view on this input if any further proposals are submitted by China MSA for a related new work item for the period 2023-2027.