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Sent: 10 November 2009 12:00

To: Mike Hadley, @ IALA

Cc: IALA IMC

Subject: FW: IALA Product searchable database

Mike,

Thank you for the information on the proposal to develop a more user friendly, searchable database of products.

As you may be aware, the IMC has raised concerns and submitted requests in the past to have the Industrial Members section of the website overhauled, eliminating the 'Regionalization' of the database (as most of us provide our services globally), adding a searchable database for products would only enhance the changes.

The following is the IMC's response to your questions, with some further comment/questions.

1. The IMC is very interested in a searchable product database.
2. As noted above, remove the regional limits for Industrial Members. List all companies in one 'Global' grouping and if any specific company wishes to limit the geographical range of the service/product they offer, they can do so on their specific web page.
3. IALA has in the past offered to update the Industrial Member section at no additional cost the IMC, has that offer changed? What level of additional support (how much money) would be needed to complete the work proposed?

Additional comment/question.

You noted this product database was a continuation of work being carried out within the framework of product certification. Were you planning to allow Industrial Members to list all of their products or only those with certification? Limiting the listings to items with certification would not be a popular decision among the majority of the Industrial Members.

Regards,

Allen Mitchener

On behalf of the IMC.

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From: Mike Hadley <m.hadley@orange.fr>

To: Allen Mitchener

Sent: Fri Oct 16 09:01:55 2009

Subject: IALA Product searchable database

Alan,

I have been asked to forward the attached output paper from EEP14, for consideration by the IMC. I assume that it will not be meeting again before Cape Town and the Committee are aware of this.

Kind regards

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