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## Summary

### US Pollution

California      Changes in Certificates of Financial Responsibility (COFRs) Requirements.

### TO ALL MEMBERS

Dear Sirs

#### **California Certificates of Financial Responsibility (COFR) Requirements**

Members are requested to note the relevant provisions in the California (CA) Code of Regulations (CCR) on evidence of financial security and renewal procedures for CA Certificates of Financial Responsibility (COFRs), published by the Californian Office of Spill Prevention and Response (OSPR), and currently effective.

Before operating in CA state marine waters, tank and non-tank vessels are required to submit their Certificate of Entry (CoE) at least ten (10) calendar days prior to operating or entering these waters, in order to apply for a CA COFR. This requirement supersedes the previous requirement to submit the CoE at least three (3) working days prior to entering CA state marine waters.

Members are also advised that the previous thirty (30) day timeframe for self-certifying renewal of P&I Club coverage and the ninety (90) day timeframe for providing the renewal documentation – i.e. the CoE – are replaced with a single timeframe of forty-five (45) calendar days following expiration of P&I Club coverage to submit all necessary documentation, including the CoE.

Members should contact the Managers should they have any queries regarding any of the above.

This circular supersedes the circular issued on 6 January 2012.

Yours faithfully  
Tindall Riley (Britannia) Limited  
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