



## **Environmental Protection Agency Notice to the Public**

Pursuant to Section 11(2) of the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has screened the applications for the grant of an environmental permit for the following proposed projects:

### **Bunkering Operation**

- 1. Donald Struckhoff (Shearwater Geoservices Ltd. UK – MV Mariska G) – to be operated within Guyana’s Waters inclusive of the EEZ.**
- 2. Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV Bourbon Clear) – to be operated within Guyana’s Waters inclusive of the EEZ.**
- 3. Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV Bourbon Calm) – to be operated within Guyana’s Waters inclusive of the EEZ.**
- 4. Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV Bourbon Diamond) – to be operated within Guyana’s Waters inclusive of the EEZ.**
- 5. Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV Bourbon Front) – to be operated within Guyana’s Waters inclusive of the EEZ.**
- 6. Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV MH Monsoon) – to be operated within Guyana’s Waters inclusive of the EEZ.**
- 7. Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV Bourbon Sapphire) – to be operated within Guyana’s Waters inclusive of the EEZ.**

The EPA has determined that these projects will not significantly affect the environment and are therefore exempt from the requirement to conduct an **Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)**. However, the projects will require the submission of an **Environmental Management Plan (EMP)**.

The reasons for this decision include:

- The impact of any fuel spills will not be significant, considering the quantity of fuel to be stored and transported. The vessel has fire safety equipment, spill containment, and clean-up kits;
- The vessel is equipped with oil spill and pollution preparedness, prevention and



response mechanisms in conformity with standards established by MARPOL 73/78 and a Hazardous Identification and Risk Assessment (HIRA) for offshore bunkering activities. The vessel also has a Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plan (SOPEP) to respond to spills.

- The vessel has double-hulled tanks onboard, which protects against any possible spills in the event of a collision.
- The vessels have obtained a permit to operate in Guyana Waters within the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) from the Maritime Administrative Department (MARAD). MARAD ensures that the vessel complies with applicable IMO requirements and is equipped with the needed fuel spill and pollution prevention and/or preparedness procedures set out by MARPOL 73/78.

Please be advised that this decision is in no way an indication that this project is approved.

The reasons for our decision are available at the following links on our website:

1. **Donald Struckhoff (Shearwater Geoservices Ltd. UK – MV Mariska G) – <https://epaguyana.org/download/mv-mariska-g-project-summary/>**
2. **Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV Bourbon Clear) – <https://epaguyana.org/download/mv-bourbon-clear-project-summary/>**
3. **Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV Bourbon Calm)- <https://epaguyana.org/download/mv-bourbon-calm-project-summary/>**
4. **Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV Bourbon Diamond) – <https://epaguyana.org/download/mv-bourbon-diamond-project-summary/>**
5. **Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV Bourbon Front) – <https://epaguyana.org/download/mv-bourbon-front-project-summary/>**
6. **Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV MH Monsoon) – <https://epaguyana.org/download/mv-mh-monsoon-project-summary/>**
7. **Edward Rose Cooper (Bourbon Guyana Inc. – MV Bourbon Sapphire) – <https://epaguyana.org/download/mv-bourbon-sapph...-project-summary/>**



Any person who may be affected by the proposed projects may lodge an appeal against the Agency's decision (**EIA not required**) within thirty (30) days of the publication of this Notice. *Appeals against the EPA's decision should be addressed to:*

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