Navigational Safety Branch  
Maritime and Coastguard Agency  
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1 March 2018

Dear Sir,

Port Marine Safety Code Compliance Submission – 2018 -2021

Reference:
A. MIN 556 (M)
B. Port Marine Safety Code 2017

This letter is provided on behalf of the Port of Sheerness Limited as owners and operators of the Port and Medway Approach area for which I am Duty Holder as identified in the Port Marine Safety Code.

In meeting the requirements and standards under the code, the Port of Sheerness has the following key features in place:

- A local Marine Safety Management System, operated within a wider Group Marine Safety Management System;
- Formal risk assessments, developed from hazard observations;
- A programme of internal Marine Safety Management System audits, supported by external audits, and
- An independent Designated Person reporting to me as Duty Holder

Through the aforementioned measures, the duties and powers of the Port of Sheerness are discharged in accordance with the Marine Safety Management System and the Port is compliant with the Port Marine Safety Code. It is also confirmed that the Port of Sheerness has recently been audited by independent external auditors and found to be compliant with the Port Marine Safety Code.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Barker  
Port Director