

# OVERVIEW OF THE SHIP EFFICIENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR A SEAFARING MODEL SHIP BASED ON THE IMO MEPC 231 (65) RESOLUTION

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**Abstract.** The increase of maritime international trade, especially of dangerous liquid cargos led to a significant increase of the number of sea-going ships. Their operation poses a real threat to the maritime environment both as a result of terminal events with transported dangerous liquid cargos and emissions of harmful products from fuels burnt by ship power systems. Because of those there is a need to undertake actions to prevent such occurrences using formal, legal and utilitarian tools. Philosophy of research methodology and rationalization of actions in compliance with international directives have been shown. The article presents the guidelines of the IMO Resolution MEPC 231(65) on preventing air pollution with carbon dioxide from ships. Design Energy Efficiency Index (EEDI) for a new ship was given as well as Energy Efficiency Operational Indicator (EEOI) determined for conventional ships after a completed voyage was defined and interpreted. A model of a Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) of a chosen ship has been constructed taking into account possible actions aimed at obtaining the highest power efficiency of the ship at sea voyage. Conclusions have been drawn and possible directions of further actions have been established.

**Keywords:** International Maritime Organization (IMO), IMO Resolution MEPS 231 (65), Design Energy Efficiency Index for a New Ship (EEDI) Operational Indicator Energy Efficiency Index (EEOI), CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Index Cf, Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP)

## INTRODUCTION

The increase of international trade in the last years of the twentieth and at the beginning of the twenty-first century led to a significant increase of the number of seagoing ships carrying goods as according to IMO 80% of the bulk cargo is transported by sea (Walczak, 2018). Obviously such amounts of goods most of which are liquid, i.e. crude oil and its products as well as other chemicals and gases may have a negative impact on marine environment.

International Maritime Organisation (IMO) was set up as a committee of the United Nations and since its beginnings it has always aimed to increase the safety level of marine navigation and prevent ships from polluting seas. IMO is a a UN agency, to which belong 169 countries from the whole world, setting up regulations within sea legislature that are valid all over world. It determines the best possible attitude aiming at ensuring safe and clean sea navigation in the competitive environment of global industry (Walczak A. 2018). An example of such activities is the implementation of International Convention on "Protection against sea pollution by ships", called The Marpol Convention, and "International Code of Safe Ship Operation Management and Pollution Prevention", called the "ISM Code", into global marine navigations (PRS 2018), (Herdzik, 2017).

## METHODOLOGY OF RESEARCH

Aiming at reaching its main goal i.e. the increase of sea navigation safety and protection against sea pollution caused by ships, IMO basing on the MEPS 203 (62) resolution introduced changes into the MARPOL Convention which came into power on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2013 and on its basis all ships of DWT 400 tons and more must have their Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) (IMO 2012A) (Adamkiewicz and Anczykowska, 2017). The aim of implementing that

resolution is to lower the emissions of greenhouse gases, that is carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) (Adamkiewicz and Przybyła, 2017). In Appendix 6 to the MARPOL Convention, a new chapter, Chapter 4, was introduced. It contains regulations on ship energy efficiency (IMO 2012B). These regulations came into power on 1st January 2013 and refer to all conventional ships navigating internationally. In order to evaluate the efficiency of SEEMP, the MEPS 203 (62) resolution recommends the use of two indicators: Design Energy Efficiency Index (EEDI) for new ships or those that were completely rebuilt and Energy Efficiency Operational Indicator (EEOI) determined for MEI conventional ships still in operation (Polish Register of Shipping, 2017), (IMO MEPC 231 (61) Resolution), (IMO MEPC 212 (63) Resolution), (IMO MEPC 214 (63) Resolution) (Adamkiewicz and Zeńczak, 2016)

EEDI obtained for a new ship is a measurement of ship energy efficiency [g/(t nm)] and is calculated from the following formula (IMO 2012A) (Mundt and Köpke, 2011):

$$EEDI = 3.1144 \cdot \frac{190 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{NME} P_{MEi} + 215 P_{AE}}{70\% DWT \cdot V_{ref}} \quad (1)$$

where:

$P_{ME}$  – power of the main engine [kW]

$P_{AE}$  – power of auxiliary engines [kW]

$N$  – number of engines

$P_{MEi}$  – engine power equal to 75% of the nominal power of the installed engine

$DWT$  – register ton

$V_{ref}$  – reference speed

EEDI for a designed ship is the value which is calculated from the following relationship:

$$EEDI = (\text{estimated CO}_2 \text{ emission at an estimated consumption of fuel}) / (\text{ship capability to transport cargo} \cdot (\text{distance covered}) \text{ in [g CO}_2\text{/t}\cdot\text{Mm]})$$

where:

Mm – sea mile

EEOI is determined for a ship after it completes its voyage. It requires the knowledge of the amount of fuel consumed during the voyage by all energy equipment on the ship, distance covered by the ship and transport effects ( amount of cargo in tons, number of TEUs, number of passengers etc. in relation to the type of the ship). Generally the aim is to determine the amount of emitted CO<sub>2</sub> needed to transport i a ton of cargo over the distance of 1 kilometer or 1 sea mile e.g. [g CO<sub>2</sub>/ton\*km] (Perera, Mo 2016). The relation to determine EEOI is as follows:

$$EEOI = [\text{amount of consumed fuel } C_f / \text{cargo mass} \cdot \text{distance covered}]$$

where:

$C_f$  – CO<sub>2</sub> emission coefficient [kgCO<sub>2</sub>/kg of fuel]

## RESULTS

Values of CO<sub>2</sub> coefficient for different kinds of fuel are given in Table 1 (Adamkiewicz et al., 2016).

**Table 1.**  
**Carbon content in marine fuels and CO<sub>2</sub> emission coefficient.**

Kind of marine fuel	Symbol	Carbon content (averaged)	CO <sub>2</sub> emission coefficient $C_f$ kg CO <sub>2</sub> /kg of fuel
Distillate oil or gas	ISO 8217 od DMX do DMB	0.8744	3.206
Light fuel oil	ISO 8217 od RMA do RMD	0.8594	3.151
Heavy fuel oil	ISO 8217 od RME do RMK	0.8493	3.1144
Propane	LPG	0.8182	3.000
Butane	LPG	0.8284	3.030
Methane	LPG, CNG	0.7500	2.750

SEEMP is a part of a company's general system of management of energy efficiency and as such it should be treated as an integral element of wider systems of company management. It assists

the crew in current supervision of ship's energy efficiency and minimization of costs. Relying on the best practice it expects that it can be done within ordinary routine activities of the crew without excessive administrative pressure on their time. SEEMP complies with the requirements of IMO 231 (65) resolution and comprises key processes required for continuous optimization of energy consumption with the view to minimize costs (PRS 2018).

To obtain the best results in ship energy efficiency management it is necessary to list a few key issues that have to be evaluated and supervised continuously or periodically and for these issues the following should be carried out: determination of aims, operational management, technical management, reporting and supervision, supervision, analysis and evaluation.

Effective operational management and effective supervision of these activities leads to the biggest energy savings and thus increases ship energy efficiency. The following fields possess the greatest potential capabilities:

- effective activities regarding fuel consumption,
- improving voyage planning, faultless consideration for hydro-meteorological conditions, scheduling ship's arrival on time (without unnecessary reserves),
- optimization of ship servicing – optimization of trimming, optimization and scheduling of operations connected with ship ballasting,
- proper use of autopilot,
- proper fleet management:
  - effective use of capacities of particular ships,
  - rationalization of operations connected with loading,
  - shortening the time of staying in ports and lowering fuel consumption at loading operations.

## DISCUSSION

To achieve the results of the best practice within energy management, energy efficiency and efficiency aims, goals should be determined basing on the implemented means referring to energy efficiency. These aims are later used for comparative analysis and evaluation of effectiveness of the applied means. Wherever it is possible, aims are quantitative and based on time. Review and evaluation of effects takes place periodically at a planned date. Review of SEEMP management and evaluation is carried out periodically. Changes in regulations and procedures of self-evaluations of SEEMP are the responsibility of the ship-owner's headquarters.

Effective technical management ensures that technical equipment of the ship and power systems are in good technical condition and enable significant energy savings. The following fields comprise the main potential possibilities (Adamkiewicz and Cydejko, 2015):

- ship hull: preventing hull overgrowing, usage of special paints, cleaning the surfaces of propeller blades,
- ship main power system – technical condition and operational parameters of the main engine, optimization of energy states of machinery facilities,
- auxiliary facilities – condition and performance of auxiliary facilities (current generating units, boilers, system for waste heat recovery),
- fuel: usage of high quality fuels, operating facilities for fuel treatment.

An example of a Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) is shown in Table 2.

**Table 2.**

**An example of a Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP).**

Number	Measures for effective fuel consumption	Operations	Person responsible
		Department of planning and loading operations prepares a loading schedule together with basic information regarding the ship, such as speed from port to port – ETA to the next port	Department of planning and loading operations

1.	Optimization and rationalization of ship speed and times of staying	<p>Range – reduction of time when the ship is anchored or drifting and entering the port at the time given for loading operations</p> <p>Recording – midday reports, MARORKA system</p> <p>Supervision – monthly reports on fuel and lubricant consumption, length of sea routs – comparison with routs of other ship owners</p> <p>Deadline – continuous supervision and continuous improvements</p>	<p>Ship captain</p> <p>Supervisory centre</p>
2.	<p>Voyage planning</p> <p>Weather consideration</p>	<p>Choice of the most advantageous rout considering winds, sea currents, weather conditions, state of the sea before and during the voyage</p> <p>Range – implementation of systems for predicting and monitoring the weather</p> <p>Recording – midday reports, MARORKA system, AWT reports</p> <p>Supervision – periodical reviewing of the above reports and checking implementation correctness during navigational audits</p> <p>Deadline – continuous supervision and continuous improvements</p>	<p>Ship captain</p> <p>Sea department of the headquarters</p> <p>Ship owner's supervisory centre</p>
3.	Trim optimization	<p>Suggesting optimum trim for different states of ship draft and voyaging with a suggested trim and determination of ship power efficiency at different trims at the same draft</p> <p>Range – implementation of the already optimized trim (results from practice) to obtain minimum values of ship hull resistance</p> <p>Recording – monthly reports, voyage reports, MARORKA system</p> <p>Supervision – comparison of achieved power efficiency with those of other ships of the fleet</p> <p>Deadline – continuous supervision and continuous improvements</p>	<p>Department of planning and loading operations</p> <p>Ship captain</p> <p>Fleet supervision centre</p>
4.	Optimization of the hull condition	<p>Range – underwater clearing of the hull and the propeller when hull energy efficiency decreases below an indicated value (hull resistance increases above the permitted value)</p> <p>Recording – divers' reports, MARORKA system, monthly technical reports</p>	<p>Chief mechanic</p> <p>Technical department of the headquarters</p> <p>Fleet supervision centre</p>

		Supervision – evaluation of ship hull condition on the basis of the above mentioned reports  Deadline – continuous supervision and continuous improvements	
5.	Maintenance of technical condition of the underwater Hull and propeller blades	Range – underwater clearing of the hull and the propeller when hull energy efficiency decreases below an indicated value (hull resistance increases above the permitted value)  Recording – divers' reports, MARORKA system, monthly technical reports	Ship captain  Chief engineer  Fleet supervision centre  Department of environmental protection management
6.	Supervision of the main engine fuel consumption and analysis of its operational parameters	Range – continuous supervision of the main engine fuel consumption and periodical checking of the main engine performance  Reporting – daily reports, monthly reports and voyage reports  Supervision – continuous SFOC supervision of the main engine  Deadline – continuous supervision and continuous improvements	Chief engineer  Ship captain  Technical department of the headquarters  Fleet supervision centre
7.	Management of ship electrical energy	Preventing current generating units from operating at low loads and aiming at reducing the number of operating units (apart from the situation when operations of many units is required – e.g. port manoeuvring, canal manoeuvring etc.) Range – optimization of the ship power plant within energy efficiency and ship safety Recording – daily reports, monthly technical reports, voyage reports MARORKA system (online)  Supervision – evaluation of ship hull condition on the basis of the above mentioned  Deadline – continuous supervision and continuous improvements	Chief engineer  Fleet supervision centre
8.	Management of ship heating energy (heat and steam)	Limiting to the highest extent the use of fire boilers and replacing them with waste-heat ones  Range – optimization of operations of facilities generating heating steam regarding fuel consumption  Recording – daily reports, monthly technical reports	Chief engineer  2nd engineer officer

		Supervision – continuous supervision of facilities generating heating steam  Deadline – continuous supervision and continuous improvements	
9.	Managing electrical energy	Switching-off lights in communal areas and In cabins when not In use. Using energy saving bulbs  Range – lowering energy consumption throughout correct supervision of lighting systems  Supervision – continuous supervision performed by the ship management Deadline – continuous supervision and continuous improvements	Ship captain  Chief engineer  1 <sup>st</sup> navigating officer  1 <sup>st</sup> engineer officer  2nd engineer officer
10.	Training within quality management and supervision of ship energy efficiency	Crew training within SEEMP and CEEMP as well as enlargement of the knowledge and operational culture of the crew  Range – organizing periodical training within SEEMP and CEEMP and their application on a ship Recording – training reports  Supervision – analysis of training reports, constant supervision performed by ship management  Deadline – continuous supervision and continuous improvements	Ship captain  Chief engineer  1 <sup>st</sup> navigating officer  1 <sup>st</sup> engineer officer  2nd engineer officer  Fleet supervision centre

## CONCLUSION

The presented overview of Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) can be treated as a model one in compliance with the requirements of the IMO 231 (65) Resolution. It shows that issues connected with protection against air pollution caused by ships are of interest not only to IMO. Monitoring implementation and realization of SEEMP on seagoing vessels is the duty port administrations and Classification Societies. In recent years European Agency for Safety on Seas (EMSA) has considered reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from seagoing ships as a serious challenge for the ship industry. EMSA evaluates, supports and helps all monitoring institutions which meet the requirements of IMO 231 (65) (IMO 2013). Resolution throughout carrying out research, checking the quality of bunker fuel in European Union ports and on board ships (Blanco-Davis, Zhou, 2016). Workshops are regularly organized in which national administrations of member countries take part in order to ensure progress and solve problems connected with implementation of rules regarding emissions of harmful sulphur and nitrogen compounds from ships into the atmosphere.

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