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#### LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE

Gesellschaft für Bioanalytik Flensburger Straße 15a D-25421 Pinneberg Germany

Dear Mr. Irion:

The Gesellschaft für Bioanalytik Hamburg mbH (GBA) facility located in Pinneberg, Germany, is accepted by the U.S. Coast Guard as a *Designated Facility* for performing approval testing on pollution prevention equipment (PPE) for compliance with the standards and regulations contained in IMO Resolutions MEPC.107(49) & MEPC.108(49) and 46 CFR 162.050, as promulgated under the Act to Prevent Pollution from Ships (33 U.S.C. 1901 *et seq.*). PPE includes 15 ppm bilge separators and 15 ppm bilge alarms.

You are required to independently evaluate, inspect, and test a manufacturer's device as well as the effluent discharged from that device for compliance with applicable standards and regulations. You are also required to submit your results in a detailed report to the U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Center in Washington DC.

This letter of acceptance also acknowledges that a separate arrangement exists between GBA and Proxitronic TREO GmbH, as per the enclosure, to perform certain tests on your behalf. GBA is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the sub-laboratory and is required, whenever practicable, to have a qualified representative present during testing. You are also required to include results from the sub-laboratory in your report to the U.S. Coast Guard.

Information contained in this letter and enclosure will be listed on the Coast Guard Maritime Information Exchange (CGMIX) at <a href="http://cgmix.uscg.mil">http://cgmix.uscg.mil</a> under accepted laboratories for approval series 162.050. This online searchable database contains a listing of U.S. Coast Guard accepted laboratories for testing of materials and equipment.

This letter of acceptance replaces your prior letter 2003-173 dated July 6, 2004, and will remain in effect until terminated. You are required to notify us in writing within 30 days of any changes to the information in your application, this letter, or enclosure.

Sincerely,

R. P. GRIFFITHS

Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Acting Chief, Systems Engineering Division By direction

Enclosure

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# Designated Facility: Performs evaluation, inspection, and testing.

MEPC.107(49) Part 1 – Performance Tests – 15 ppm Bilge Separator;

MEPC.108(49) Part 1 – Performance Tests – Oil Content Meter;

MEPC.107(49) Part 2 – Performance Tests – 15 ppm Bilge Alarm.

MEPC.107(49) Part 4 – Oil Content Analytical Tests using standard ISO 9377-2:2000.

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## Sub-Laboratory: Performs environmental testing only.

MEPC.107(49) Part 3 – Environmental Tests – 15 ppm Bilge Separator & 15 ppm Bilge Alarm.

MEPC.108(49) Part 2 – Environmental Tests – Oil Content Meter & Oil Discharge Monitoring Equipment.