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NIPWG Members

## Review of draft S-131 version 0.2 documents

Dear colleagues,

The IHO, on behalf of NIPWG, has entered into a contract with Portolan Sciences for the creation of a draft S-131 Product Specification that we will move to Edition 1.0.0. The development of the draft has now reached a milestone where a review is warranted. A small document package, accessed at https://iho.int/en/nipwg-product-specifications, has been created, consisting of:

• Enterprise Architect generated documentation of the model

• Figures in a zip, since the figures in the document are reduced-size

• Working notes on changes made, open issues, and questions from Portolan Sciences.

• A blank comment form for reviewer comments.

The review should particularly focus on the parts in red font, which are new, or have been modified for S-131. Especially the new definitions should be reviewed in detail. Please note that definitions already in the registry will be difficult to get changed. In this case, robust justifications and impact on existing product specifications may need to be carefully considered beforehand.

Any feedback should be sent to Raphael Malyankar raphaelm@portolansciences.com with copy to eivind.mong@dfo-mpo.gc.ca **by February 28** using the comment form. Raphael will be happy to answer questions you may have in this regard, including about whether something should be reviewed or not.

No comment will be understood as agreement with the direction and progress of the S-131 development.

Best regards,

Eivind Mong,

Chair, NIPWG