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S-101PT Letter 2/2021

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Review of the S-101 Data Product Specification and Data Classification and Encoding guide

Dear S-101 Project Team Members,

S-101PT 6 was a productive meeting where we updated our Work Plan and I would like to thank everyone for their time attending and contributing to those productive discussions. I will continue to allow time for informal discussion after/before the meeting in future as I think this helps as we continue to meet remotely. S-101PT6 also covered some important topics that will allow S-101 1.1.0 to progress and allow the community to explore different approaches to how S-101 ENCs will improve the mariner's user experience both during the transition from S-57 and beyond.

Following the work of the DCEG sub-group and its endorsement at S-101PT6 the S-101 DCEG edition 1.0.1 has now been made available. We can now commence activity A.1.2 of the workplan which is;

A.1.2 Conduct a review cycle of the S-101 Data Product Specification and DCEG. Includes comment review.

Accompanying this letter are the S-101 1.0.0 Data Product Specification, the S-101 1.0.1 Data Classification and Encoding Guide, a DCEG Change Log and comment forms. We have intentionally allowed a significant period of time for this review noting that these are large documents and in the hope that ENC producers who are exploring the conversion of S-101 data will be able to explore certain aspects through testing. However, given the overall timeframe and the need to allow time to review and adjudicate comments we would like to complete this review period by the end of May.

S-101PT members are therefore requested to review the attached documents and provide your comments using the form provided to jeff.wotton@iho.int and cc Thomas.richardson@ic-enc.org by the 28 May 2021.

Yours sincerely,

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