NOTICE TO MARITIME INDUSTRY ORGANISATIONS
AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES

NOTICE NO 6/2000

ADJUSTMENT TO
SEAFARERS REHABILITATION AND COMPENSATION
REGULATIONS 1993

Section 78 of the Seafarers Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1992 (the Seafarers Act) requires that, where an employer receives a written request for a reconsideration of a determination, the employer must arrange for an industry panel to assist in the reconsideration, or arrange for a Comcare officer to assist where an industry panel is not provided for in a certified agreement to which the employer is a party.

Section 141 of the Seafarers Act provides that Comcare may charge an employer the prescribed fee for the provision of a Comcare officer’s services for the purposes of section 78 as stated above.

Accordingly, the Seafarers Rehabilitation and Compensation Regulations 1993 (the Regulations) were amended in July 2000.

The prescribed fee for a Comcare officer to assist with a reconsideration is now $85 for each hour, and a proportionate amount for a part of an hour, as outlined in regulation 5(1). The Regulations also state that the amount in paragraph 5(1) (a) is a taxable supply within the meaning of the A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999.

All inquiries in respect of this notice should be directed to:

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