

## **The Shipowners' Club announces new exclusive Correspondent in Western Canada**

### **Merle McKenzie, of All West P&I Services Ltd, becomes the Shipowners' Club exclusive Correspondent in Western Canada**

London, 09 November 2016: The Shipowners' Club, the leading P&I insurer in the smaller and specialist vessel sector, today announced the appointment of Merle McKenzie as the new local Correspondent in Western Canada.

Acting as the Club's local Correspondent since 2011 in his capacity as casualty investigator and maritime manager at Bull Housser in Vancouver, Merle is now the Club's exclusive Correspondent, as part of All West P&I Services Ltd, providing support to the Members of The Shipowners' Club.

With an accomplished career investigating maritime casualties for more than three decades primarily on the west coast of Canada and the Canadian Arctic, Merle's extensive experience in the sector includes all nature of P&I casualties including collisions between vessels, collisions with fixed and floating objects, cargo damage, bodily injury and fatalities to personnel and passengers, pollution and wreck removal. He also has particular experience with the tug and tow business having represented several of Canada's largest fleets.

#### **Simon Swallow, Chief Executive of the Shipowners' Club, comments:**

"We are delighted to welcome Merle as our exclusive Correspondent for the Club in Western Canada. Merle's unrivalled local knowledge, experience and most importantly, his understanding of the mutual ethos of the Club will enable him to provide the best support to our Members through times of difficulty. "The Shipowners' Club global network of Correspondents act as independent advisers on behalf of the Club's Members and are available to provide direct and immediate assistance in the event of an incident or casualty involving a vessel entered with the Club."

#### **Merle McKenzie, All West P&I, comments:**

"I am very pleased to be continuing my relationship with the Club as its Correspondent. I have always admired the Club's commitment to advancing the best interest of its Members and its supportive culture when incidents occur. All West P&I Services is available to assist Members throughout Western Canada and the Arctic."

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The Shipowners' Club is a mutual marine liability insurer, providing Protection and Indemnity insurance for small and specialist vessels since 1855. The Club is a member of the International Group of P&I Clubs and works with more than 600 brokers globally to insure over 32,000 vessels across a range of operating sections and geographical areas.

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