**CIRCULAR LETTER**  
No. 312-21-1346c  
dated 10.03.2020

Re:
amendments to the Rules for the Classification, Construction and Equipment of Floating Offshore Oil-and-Gas Production Units (FPU), 2020, ND No. 2-020201-017-E

Item(s) of supervision:  
technical documentation, floating offshore oil-and-gas production units under construction and in service

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**Appendices:**  
Appendix 1: information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter  
Appendix 2: text of amendments to Part I "Classification"

**Director General**  
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**Text of CL:**  
We hereby inform that the Rules for the Classification, Construction and Equipment of Floating Offshore Oil-and-Gas Production Units shall be amended as specified in the Appendices to the Circular Letter.  

It is necessary to do the following:  
1. Bring the content of the Circular Letter to the notice of the RS surveyors, interested organizations and persons in the area of the RS Branch Offices’ activity.  
2. Apply the provisions of the Circular Letter during review and approval of the technical documentation on FPU contracted for construction or conversion on or after 10.03.2020, in the absence of a contract, the keels of which are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 10.03.2020.

**List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:**  
Part I: para 2.2.2

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<td>Part I, para 2.2.2</td>
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PART I. CLASSIFICATION

2 CLASS OF FPU

Para 2.2.2 is replaced by the following text:

"2.2.2 Floating structures complying with the requirements of Section 2, Part I "Classification" of the RS Rules are assigned one of the following descriptive notations added to the character of classification, namely: FPO, FPSO, FSO, FSPM or SSPM, depending on the flow chart chosen and subject to compliance with the requirements of the FPU Rules.

For self-propelled ships, when adding descriptive notations to the character of classification such as FSO or FPSO, the sign (ESP) shall be mandatory added after the descriptive notation. This means the necessity to survey these ships based on the Enhanced Survey Programme.".