Arctic Heavy Fuel Oil (HFO) Regulation spotlight on waivers



The Arctic HFO regulation allows waivers to be issued by Arctic coastal states for ships flying their flag while in their waters.

Waivers will undermine the HFO ban

Waivers will have negative environmental consequences.

Waivers will create a two-tier system of environmental protection and enforcement Waivers will lower environmental standards in territorial seas and exclusive economic zones.

Waivers will fail to address transboundary risks.

IMO Members can strengthen the proposed Arctic HFO Regulation by not issuing waivers.