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Third meeting of the GESAMP* – Ballast Water Working Group established in accordance with resolution MEPC.126(53)

- According to paragraph 7 of BWM.2/Circ.6 Members were invited to submit their proposals for approval of Ballast Water Management Systems that make use of Active Substances as soon as possible, but not later than 15 December 2006. By the above deadline the Secretariat has received one new proposal for approval, a submission containing supplemental information regarding a previous proposal and a proposal for Final Approval. Aiming to optimize to the maximum extent possible the work of the GESAMP-BWWG and ensure the most effective use of the resources available for the Group's meetings it was decided to hold only the regular meeting scheduled for 19 to 23 February 2007 and extend the meeting time over the weekend as it may be necessary to accomplish the tasks assigned by MEPC 55.
- 2 Member Governments are invited to bring this information to the attention of all concerned.

GESAMP stands for 'IMO/FAO/UNESCO-IOC/WMO/WHO/IAEA/UN/UNEP Joint Group of Experts on the Scientific Aspects of Marine Environmental Protection'.