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To: Owners/Operators, Masters, Nautical Inspectors, Recognized Organizations

Subject: GEPA FREEFALL LIFEBOAT RELEASE SYSTEM MODIFCATION

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GEPA FIBERGLASS LIFEBOAT Company published <u>Service Bulletin 19-001</u> on 07 August 2019, detailing modifications to its freefall lifeboats to ensure compliance with §4.7.6.1 of the International Life-Saving Appliance (LSA) Code.

The following GEPA freefall lifeboats are affected:

- G-FFF1
- G-FFF1-FP
- G-FFF2
- G-FFF2-FP
- G-FFF3
- G-FFF3-FP

Particular attention should be given to GEPA freefall lifeboats that have completed modifications prior to the publication of this service bulletin. Owners and managers of ships with the listed types of lifeboats must contact GEPA immediately to have them modified.