

## GENERAL INCREASE BULLETIN NO. 5 / 20

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### *Club – GARD*

9<sup>th</sup> November 2020

#### **P&I**

- No general increase ordered.

#### **FDD**

- No general increase ordered.

The Gard Board held at the beginning of November 2020 examined the current status as at 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020 whilst also considering the general renewal requirements for the 2021/22 policy year.

Overall, a robust and healthy financial position on a consolidated group basis is reported. Against this background and similarly with other P&I clubs in the International Group who have so far reported and announced their requirements for 2021/22 Gard make reference to the negative impact felt from several major incidents affecting the International Group Pool, some losses on their investment portfolio following the fall out of the financial markets as a reaction to the pandemic (at 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020 most of these losses are reported to have been recovered) and the wider impacts emanating from the COVID -19 pandemic.

With mention to the claims environment, both those of The International Group Pool and Gard's own entries, whilst the Board has not set a general increase on expiring premiums for the 2021/22 policy year the circular informs that *"Members can expect a moderate increase in the Estimated Total Call for owners mutual P&I for the 2021 renewal"*. With no general increase it will be the evaluation effected on the individual Member risk profile and claims record which will determine requirements for the adjustment to Member rates.

Earlier in the year the Board decided to delay the decision to be taken on the final premium instalment for the 2019 policy year. As anticipated at the time this aspect came under review at the November meeting just held with the decision taken to set the 2019 last premium instalment, to be levied in November 2020, at 15% of the original Estimated Total Call. This reduction represents a 5% reduction on the agreed Estimated Total Call for the year.

Should you have any queries regarding the above arguments and insurance issues, please do not hesitate to get in touch with your usual P.L. Ferrari contact or get in touch via our website at <https://www.plferrari.com>

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