

### ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

### MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

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# ROUTEING MEASURES OTHER THAN TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEMES INFORMATION ON THE EXISTING DEEP-WATER ROUTE OFF GOTLAND ISLAND

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TO: SHIPOWNERS, SHIPS' OPERATORS AND

**MANAGERS, MASTERS** 

**APPLICABLE TO:** All vessels

**EFFECTIVE AS FROM:** Date of this Circular

Monaco, 19<sup>th</sup> January 2010

This Administration draws to the attention of the ship-owners, ships' operators, managers and masters the annexed Circular SN.1/Circ.250/Add.1 concerning the information on the existing deep-water route off Gotland Island.

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### ROUTEING MEASURES OTHER THAN TRAFFIC SEPARATION SCHEMES

## INFORMATION ON THE EXISTING DEEP-WATER ROUTE OFF GOTLAND ISLAND

At the request of the Government of Sweden, the information contained in the annex relating to the existing deep-water route off Gotland Island is brought to the attention of Member Governments.

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### **ANNEX**

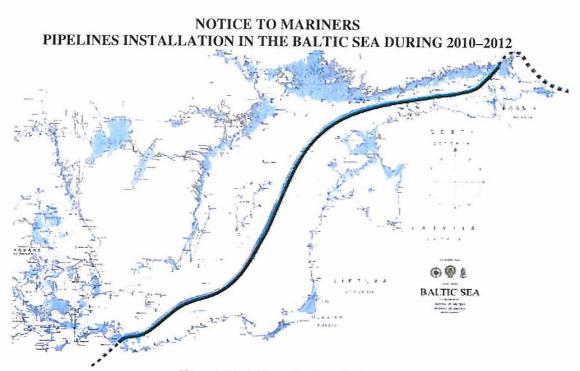


Figure 1: Nord Stream Pipelines Route

Nord Stream is planning the offshore construction activities of a twin pipelines system between Russia and Germany via the Finnish, Swedish and Danish waters.

The construction operations will involve a significant number of installation vessels working along the selected route illustrated in Figure 1.

The provisional list of the engaged vessels is reported below:

- Pipelay Vessel Castoro Sei
- Pipelay Vessel Solitaire (Gulf of Finland only)
- Supply Vessel
- 3–4 Anchor Handling Tugs
- 3–4 Pipe-carriers
- Survey Vessel
- Rock Dumping Vessels
- Trenching Support Vessel
- Dredging Vessels (Near the shores of Germany and Russia)

### PIPELINES INSTALLATION IN THE SWEDISH SECTOR DURING 2010–2012

Provisional Construction Schedule

The provisional construction operations schedule within the Swedish sector is summarised in Figure 2.

Nord Stream will periodically update the Swedish Transport Agency and the Swedish Maritime Administration with any schedule update.

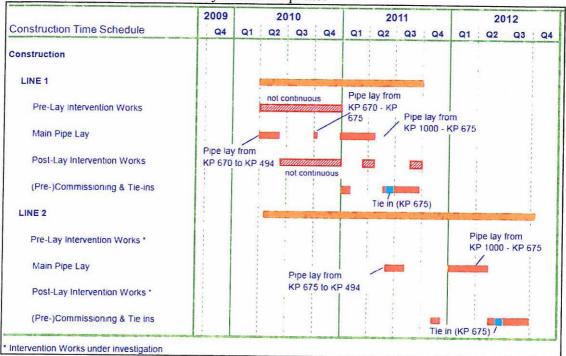


Figure 2: Nord Stream Pipelines Provisional Construction Schedule in the Swedish Sector

### Deep Water Route Crossing

The construction vessels spread will cross the Deep Water Route south west of Gotland as illustrated in Figure 3.

The pipelay vessels spread will cross the Deep Water Route in correspondence of the following coordinates (all coordinates in WGS84 Datum, all grid coordinates in UTM zone 33 projection, shipping lanes digitised from paper copies of nautical chart):

Pipeline 1 Northern crossing

Lat/Lon: 55° 57' 19.16" N, 17° 16' 07.09" E (641639.238 6203431.063)

Pipeline 1 Southern Crossing

Lat/Lon: 55° 46' 13.07" N, 16° 45' 13.80" E (610024.405 6181907.249)

Pipeline 2 Northern Crossing

Lat/Lon: 55° 57' 21.50" N, 17° 16' 24.43" E (641937.581 6203513.209)

Pipeline 2 Southern Crossing

Lat/Lon: 55° 46' 15.43" N, 16° 45' 30.89" E (610320.306 6181987.725)

The installation spread will cross the shipping lane twice. Each crossing is calculated to last for approximately 12–15 days:

- The crossing by pipeline 1 installation will be during January/February 2011.
- The crossing by pipeline 2 installation will be during February/March 2012.

Information will be published in due time in Notice to Mariners. Ships approaching the crossing location within the Deep Water Route will also be contacted by the slowly moving pipelay vessel.

#### **Ports**

The construction spread will slowly move along the pipeline route. While on the Swedish sector the following ports will be used as logistics basis:

- Norrköping
  - The supply vessel will shuttle between the port and pipelay vessel with a frequency of twice a week
- Slite and Karlskrona
  The 3 or 4 pipe carriers will shuttle between the port and pipelay vessel on a continuous basis.

