Amendment #1 to the NOTICE OF RACE

A) Section 8-Schedule of Events is changed to add the following (highlighted in gray):

8. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (partial listing)

Thursday, March 1, 2018 @ 0800.................Reception and Skippers Meeting I

Thursday, March 1, 2018 @ 1200.................Provisional START I

Friday, March 2, 2018 @ 0800 ....Reception and Skippers Meeting I

Friday, March 2, 2018 @ 1200 ....Provisional START II

Saturday, March 3, 2018 @ 0800 ....Reception and Skippers Meeting II

Saturday, March 3, 2018 @ 1200 ....Provisional START III

Friday March 9, 2018 @ 1800......................Awards Dinner

Purpose of Amendment: *This amendment (highlighted in gray) adds a start date/time for slower race entries and gives them adequate time to sail the course and finish prior to the awards dinner, which has been changed to Friday evening. The Awards presentation has been moved to the preceding evening (Friday) to accommodate the MEXORC ceremonies the following evening (Saturday).*

B) Section 14-Alterations to Safety Equipment, 14.1 (monohulls) is changed to delete the modification to USSER 3.9 (AIS Transceiver). 14.2 (multihulls) is changed to delete the following reference "AIS Transceiver is not a requirement…".

An AIS transceiver IS required to be on board and functional for each vessel entered in the race. The Sailing Instructions will specify that AIS is to be switched ON only for a nominal amount of time at the start and finish of the race. [DP] [NP]

Purpose of Amendment: *This amendment reverts to the US Safety Equipment Regulations (USSERs) for Ocean events regarding AIS. AIS has proven to be very helpful when interacting with commercial shipping and in the event of any distress situation. The AIS signal will additionally aid the OA in tracking boats crossing the start and finish line, and assist with their arrival in port. This instruction is noted as [DP] for Discretionary Penalty by the protest committee, which may be less than disqualification. This instruction is noted as [NP] for Non-Protestable by boats.*

Race Committee
1200 December 22, 2017