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TO: SPREP National Focal Points
Maritime Administrations

SUBJECT: **2014 Revised Model Marine Pollution Prevention Bill & new Model (Anti-Fouling Systems) Regulation**

Dear SPREP Members,

Please find attached two model legislations for application in Pacific island jurisdictions, which include comprehensive provisions for the implementation of all relevant international conventions dealing with marine pollution prevention and response including the Anti-Fouling Systems Convention:

1. ***The revised model Marine Pollution Prevention Bill (with Anti-Fouling Systems Convention provisions and MARPOL Amendments 2013):***
This model bill replaces the 2011 model Marine Pollution Prevention Act prepared by SPREP incorporating Anti-Fouling System Convention provisions and MARPOL Amendments 2013.The revised bill is intended to help countries in their development of legislation to effectively implement international and regional conventions, programs and arrangements. The model bill requires appropriate modifications to be effectively implemented in the particular country which intends to use it as the basis of its' marine pollution law.

2. ***New model Anti-Fouling Systems Regulation*****:**
This model for Anti-Fouling Systems is new, and is designed specifically for countries that have already enacted comprehensive marine pollution legislation, particularly the model Marine Pollution Prevention Act.

SPREP will work with Members to ensure effective implementation of these two instruments. Please contact either the Marine Pollution Adviser, Mr. Scott Willson (scottw@sprep.org) or the Pollution Adviser, Mr. Anthony Talouli (anthonyt@sprep.org) for any further assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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Annexes: (1) Model Marine Pollution Prevention Bill (2014); and
Annexes: (2) Model Anti-Fouling Systems Regulation.