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IINO Kaiun Kaisha, Ltd.
IINO Marine Service Co., Ltd.

VLGC “MAPLE GAS” Received Green Award Certificate

IINO Kaiun Kaisha, Ltd. (IINO) hereby announces that our large LPG carrier “MAPLE GAS” (the vessel) managed by IINO Marine Service Co., Ltd. (IMS) has received a Green Award Certificate from the Green Award Foundation* based in Rotterdam.

The Green Award Certificate can be obtained by ships and management companies that are recognized for their high quality, safety, and environmental performance after a company audit and a shipboard audit by the Green Award Foundation. Vessels with this certification are eligible to receive incentives, such as reduced entry fees from ports in Japan, North America, Europe, and other countries that agree with the purpose of this certification. IMS was the first Japanese ship management company to receive this certification in 2004, and now the vessel has been added to the list of certified. This is the first time a Japanese ship management company has obtained certification for a LPG carrier.

Astomos Energy Corporation, the charterer of the vessel, is a leading company in the LPG industry in efforts to reduce carbon emissions and environmental impact, including the introduction of Japan's first carbon-neutral LPG. They have endorsed IMS and the vessel's efforts to obtain the certification.

IINO has made environmental considerations part of its management philosophy, and in its mid-term management plan, “Be Unique and Innovative.: The Next Stage -Towards 2030,” IINO has set "Sustainability Initiatives" as one of the priority strengthening measures. IINO will strive for stable transportation and safe operation by leveraging the abundant experience and technical capabilities that it has cultivated through many years of operation and management and will contribute to the realization of a sustainable society by proactively introducing technologies that reduce environmental impact.

*** Green Award Foundation**

A non-profit organization established in 1994 by the Dutch Ministry of Transport and the Rotterdam Port Authority. It aims to promote sustainable maritime transport by certifying vessels and management companies that both have high quality, safety, and environmental performance, and by enabling them to enjoy incentives.



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