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## Keynote Remarks & Presentation of Capital Link's 2013 Maritime CSR Leadership Award to:

# <u>Mr. Clay Maitland, Founding Chairman – NAMEPA &</u> <u>Managing Partner - International Registries, Inc.</u>

**Capital Link**, the leading investor relations and communications firm, held successfully the **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Shipping & Offshore CSR Forum, in London**, at the **One Moorgate Place**. More than 250 attendees participated in this Forum.

During this Forum, **Clay Maitland**, Founding Chairman - NAMEPA & Managing Partner - International Registries, Inc, was awarded with the "**Capital Link's 2013 Maritime CSR Leadership Award**" for his 'Leadership and Commitment to Sustainability & CSR in the Maritime Sector'. The presentation was made by **Harry Theochari** (Attorney, Head of Transportation, Norton Rose Fulbright)

**Clay Maitland** has worked in the shipping industry since graduation from law school in 1968. Clay has been employed by International Registries, Inc. for 35 years and is now a managing partner of the company, which administers the Marshall Islands Ship Registry - the third largest registry in the world. He is President of the Trust Company of the Marshall Islands (TCMI), the statutory Maritime Administrator of the Republic of the Marshall Islands. Prior to the year 2000, Clay held similar positions with regard to the maritime administration of the Republic of Liberia. Among his other affiliations: Director of the Coast Guard Foundation; Member of the American Bureau of Shipping, and of the National Cargo Bureau; Founding Chairman of the North American Maritime Environment Protection Association (NAMEPA), Chairman of the North American Maritime Ministry Association (NAMMA) Industry Advisory Board; Member of the American Bar Association, New York City Bar Association and Maritime Law Association of the United States ; former Chairman of the National Maritime Historical Society; former Chair of the Admiralty Committee of the New York City Bar Association, and of the Committee on Intergovernmental Organizations of the Maritime Law Association of the United States (MLA). Clay has served as a delegate to the Legal Committee of the International Maritime Organization (IMO). Clay received the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Letters from the State University of New York Maritime College in 2006, and was awarded the U.S. Coast Guard's Distinguished Public Service Award in 2010.

**Harry Theochari** is a shipping and asset finance lawyer based in London, where he is Head of Transport. He is experienced in international shipping finance and has wide experience of syndicated facilities, OECD and Export Credit based financings, structured financings and capital market transactions.

## **ABOUT THE ORGANIZERS – CAPITAL LINK**

Capital Link is a New York-based Advisory, Investor Relations and Financial Communications firm. Capitalizing on our in-depth knowledge of the shipping industry and capital markets, Capital Link has made a strategic commitment to the shipping industry becoming the largest provider of Investor Relations and Financial Communications services to international shipping companies listed on the US and European Exchanges. Capital Link has developed new initiatives aiming to become an information hub on CSR matters in the shipping and offshore industries. Capital Link's headquarters are in New York with a presence in London and Athens. Operating more like

In our effort to enhance the information flow to the investment community and contribute to improving investor knowledge of shipping, Capital Link has undertaken a series of initiatives beyond the traditional scope of its investor relations activity, such as:



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### • <u>www.CapitalLinkShipping.com</u>

A web based resource that provides information on the major shipping and stock market indices, as well as on all shipping stocks. It also features an earnings and conference call calendar, industry reports from major industry participants and interviews with CEOs, analysts and other market participants.

- <u>www.MaritimeCSR.com</u> A web hub with information on CSR issues in the shipping and offshore markets; company and regulatory news, interviews, events etc.
- <u>Weekly Capital Link Shipping Newsletter</u> Weekly distribution to an extensive audience in the US & European shipping, financial and investment communities with updates on the shipping markets, the stock market and listed company news.
- <u>www.CapitalLinkWebinars.com</u> Sector Forums & Webinars: Regularly, we organize panel discussions among CEOs, analysts, bankers and shipping industry participants on the developments in the various shipping sectors (containers, dry bulk, tankers) and on other topics of interest (such as Raising Equity in Shipping Today, Scrapping, etc).
- <u>Capital Link Investor Shipping Forums</u> In New York, Athens and London bringing together investors, bankers, financial advisors, listed companies CEOs, analysts, and shipping industry participants.
  - www.MaritimeIndices.com
    Capital Link Maritime Indices: Capital Link developed and maintains a series of stock market maritime indices which track the performance of U.S. listed shipping stocks (CL maritime Index, CL Dry Bulk Index, CL Tanker Index, CL Container Index, CL LNG/LPG Index, CL Mixed Fleet Index, CL Shipping MLP Index Bloomberg page: CPLI. The Indices are also distributed through the Reuters Newswires and are available on Factset.

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