Partnering for success - helping you navigate business complexities

Our team has the right blend of specialist skills sets, passion and experience required to deliver a high-quality service, organised in a way to support you in your current or desired state.

With the combination of technical expertise and extensive experience in shipping, we are confident that our team will bring real value to your success.

Accounting advisory and reporting

As part of the Global Capital Markets Group, BDO UK's team of specialists have a depth of experience in the US capital markets through working with international businesses including SEC registrants in the shipping industry.

The team is uniquely positioned to advise on accounting and reporting matters impacting the shipping industry, including those relating to initial and ongoing filing requirements with the SEC, regulatory and accounting compliance, GAAP conversions and complex accounting issues.

Our offering

- SEC reporting requirements for Domestic Registrants and Foreign Private Issuers.
- Compliance with accounting standards US GAAP and IFRS.
- Preparation of technical papers on complex US GAAP and IFRS accounting matters.
- Financial statements preparation.
- ► GAAP assessments and conversions.
- ► Assistance in responding to the SEC comment letters.
- ► Financial reporting, MD&A and disclosures including preparation for scrutiny by shareholders.
- ► Management training on SEC reporting, IFRS and US GAAP.

Internal controls

Our **Digital and Risk Advisory Service** team offer an array of services, including evaluation of governance arrangements and advising on internal controls frameworks including Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX) reporting requirements.

The team has in-depth experience in developing risk and controls landscapes in the shipping industry, detecting and protecting against key threats, including cyber security, preventing expense, downtime, data loss, and reputational damage. Ultimately, this enhances stakeholder and management confidence, making the business a more attractive investment.

Our offering

- ► Establishing effective and accelerated control cycles.
- ► Effective use of technology/data to boost planning, reporting and analytical capabilities.
- Readiness assessment for compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley.
- ➤ Cyber security risk assessment critical data systems, applications, software and internet-based business systems.
- ► Developing robust reporting guaranteeing timely reporting/audit.
- ► Adequacy of finance function for US public company reporting.
- ► Advising on effective management team, board and committees audit, investment and remuneration.

Taxation

Advising on the planning and control of multijurisdictional tax matters is a key element of our tax offering for shipping companies.

Our Corporate International Tax Services team have extensive knowledge and experience dealing with tax-related issues specific to the shipping industry. By working closely with you, we leverage this knowledge to ensure that your tax issues are fully addressed in a commercial way.

Our offering

- Advising on the eligibility and election into country-specific tonnage tax regimes.
- ▶ International tax structuring, OECD Pillar 2, crossborder withholding taxes and double tax treaty considerations.
- ► Transfer pricing advice, implementation, risk assessments and dispute resolution.
- ► Tax assurance and risk management services, responsible tax and tax strategy publications.
- ► Global employment tax services, international assignments, share plans and incentives planning.
- ► M&A transaction tax services, due diligence and acquisition structuring.
- ▶ VAT, indirect tax and Custom Duties advice.
- ► A comprehensive, robust and efficient approach to tax compliance services.



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