



# **Accelerating maritime decarbonisation through pilots and trials**

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Ammonia transfers between the Green Pioneer and the Navigator Global in the anchorage of Port of Dampier

*4000 cbm (2700 tonnes) of liquid ammonia was transferred at 700-800 cbm/h from the Green Pioneer to the Navigator Global and back*



# Mission statement



Our mission is to help the maritime industry eliminate GHG emissions by **shaping** standards, **deploying** solutions, **financing** projects, and **fostering** collaboration across sectors.

## Founders/ strategic partners



## Impact partners



## Coalition partners



## Knowledge partners



## Enabling partners



And > 100 project partners

# Our initiatives roadmap

(as of 3 Oct 2024)

● Completed   ● In Progress   ● Planning



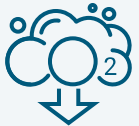
Enabling ammonia as a marine fuel

- Phase 1: Ammonia bunkering pilot safety study
- Phase 2A (Singapore): Detailed operational risk assessment for ship-to-ship (STS) cargo transfer of ammonia
- Phase 2B (Singapore): Plan and execute STS ammonia transfer pilot
- Detailed operational risk assessment and execution of STS ammonia transfer pilot in Pilbara
- Enabling a network of ports for ammonia bunkering



Assuring the quality, quantity and emissions abatement of drop-in green fuels

- Biofuels end-to-end supply chain pilots
- Assurance framework for biofuels end-to-end supply chain
- Crude algae oil as a drop-in green marine fuel
- Project LOTUS: Long term impact of continuous use of biofuels on vessel operations
- E/ bio-methanol quality, quantity and abatement assurance (QQAA)
- BioLNG QQAA



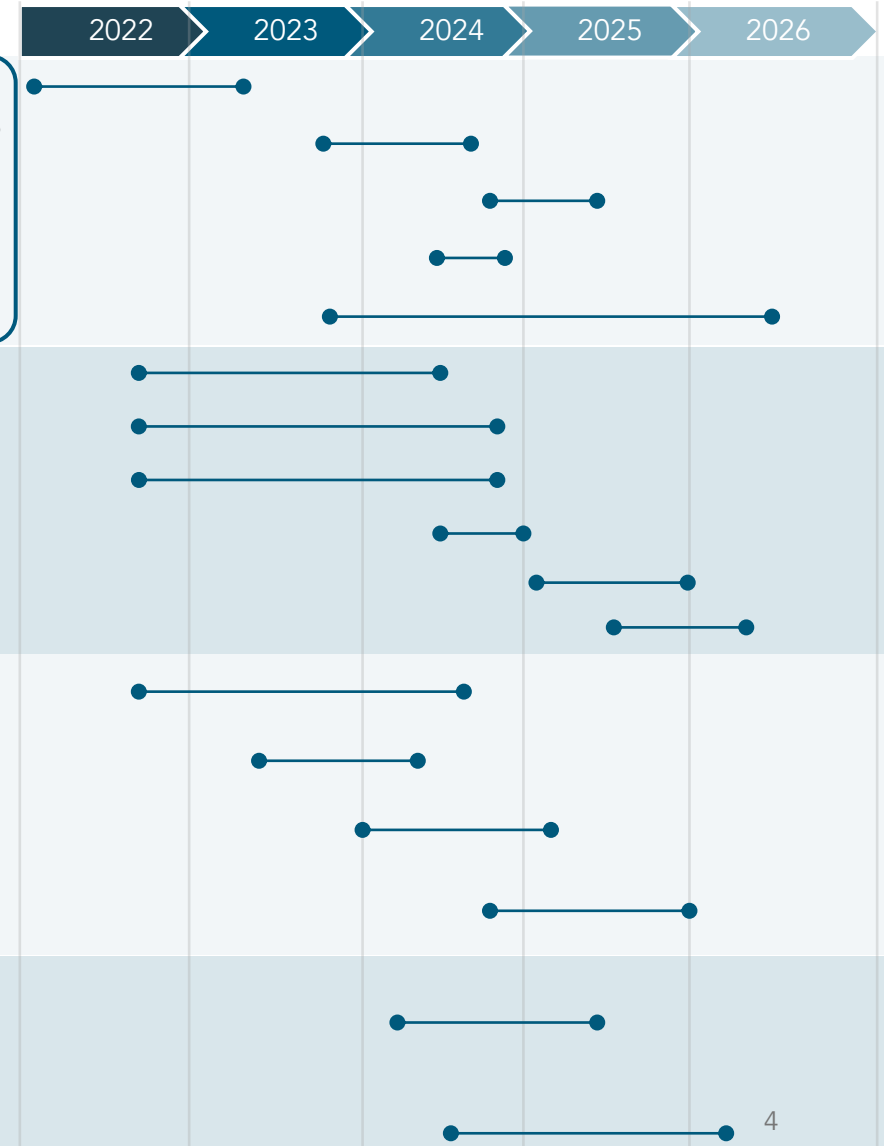
Unlocking the carbon value chain

- Project REMARCCABLE: Realising maritime carbon capture to demonstrate the ability to lower emissions
- Concept study to offload onboard captured CO<sub>2</sub>
- Project COLOSSUS: Carbon capture, offloading, onshore storage, utilisation and sequestration
- Project CAPTURED: Demonstrate the offloading, handling, utilisation and/ or sequestration of onboard captured CO<sub>2</sub>



Scaling adoption of energy efficiency technologies

- Pay-As-You-Save (PAYS) 1: Establish binding commercial, data and technical agreements for retrofit installation + execution, data collection, validation and activation of contracts
- PAYS 2: Establish agreements for PAYS retrofit installations for a fleet of vessels + execute installation, data collection, validation and activation of contracts



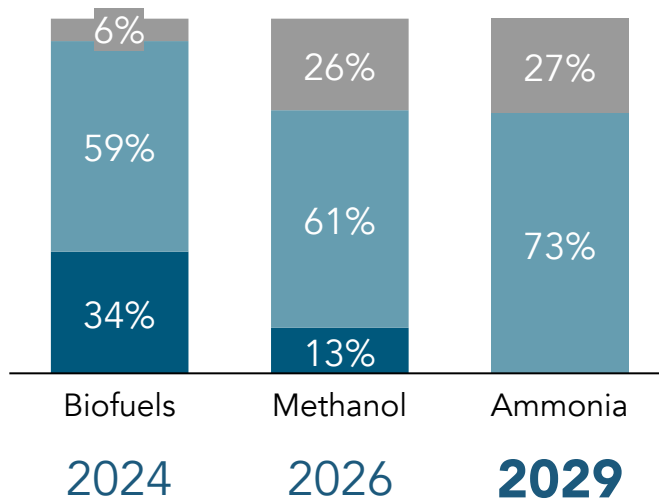


# Respondents plan to adopt ammonia as early as **2029**

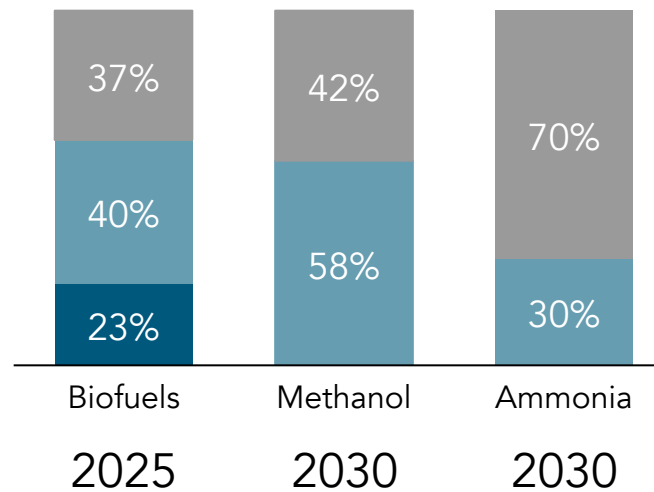
## Current and planned adoption of future fuels



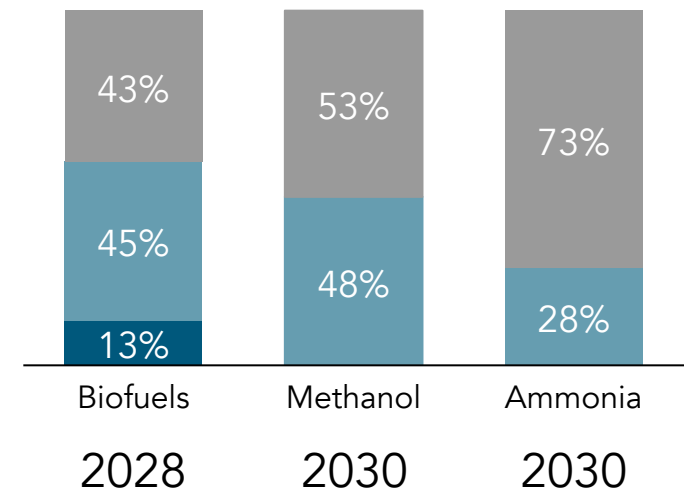
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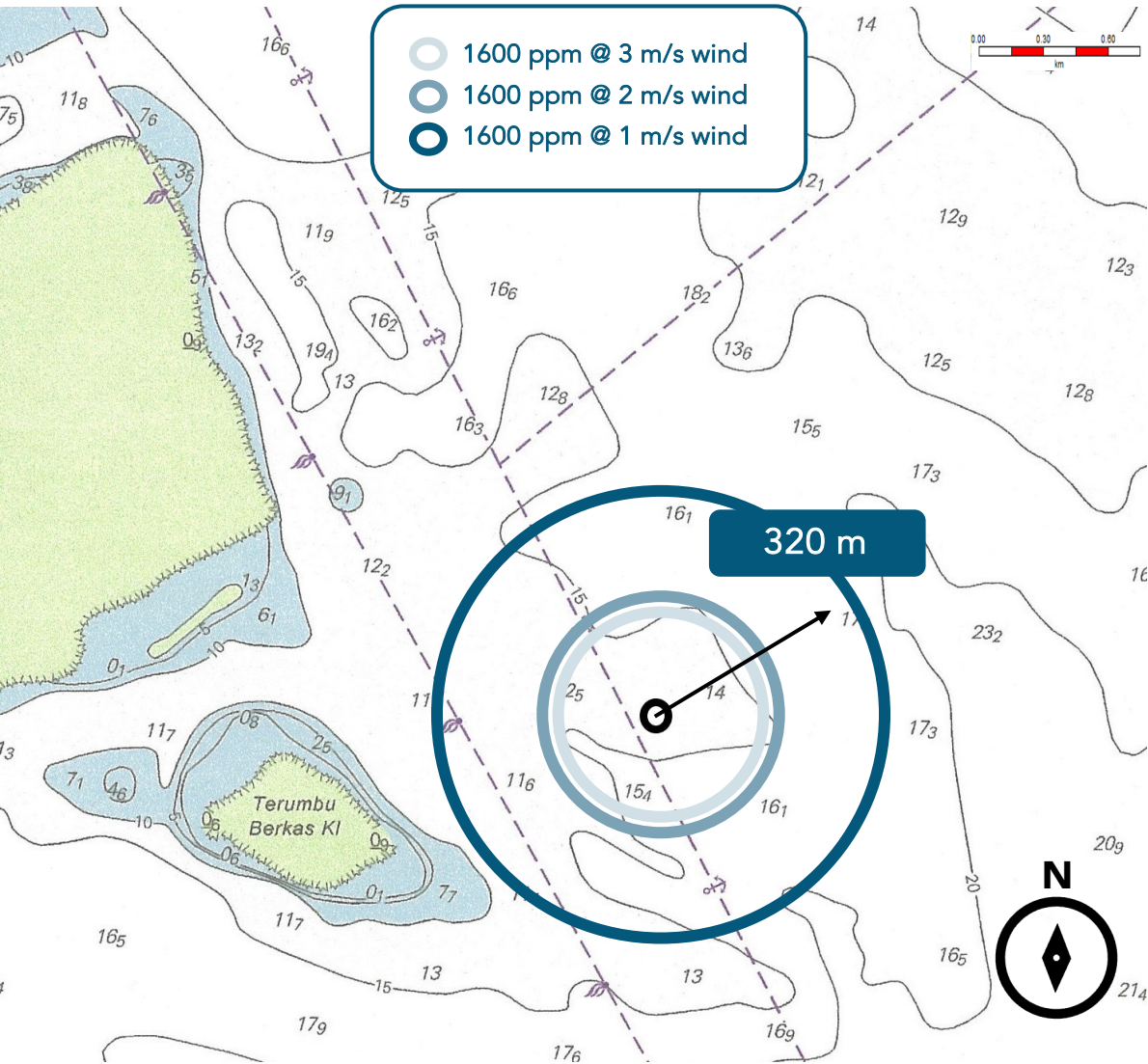


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■ Already adopted 
 ■ Plans to adopt 
 ■ Not sure/no plans

# Ammonia bunkering pilot safety study released Apr 2023



### Singapore ammonia bunker demand

- + Projected to take off in mid-2030's; estimated to be around 2 MTPA by 2035
- + Can be supported by one 15,000 cbm bunker vessel

### Operational and location risks

- + 400 operational and locational risks identified across 4 concept designs and 3 locations
- + All considered **low** or **mitigable**

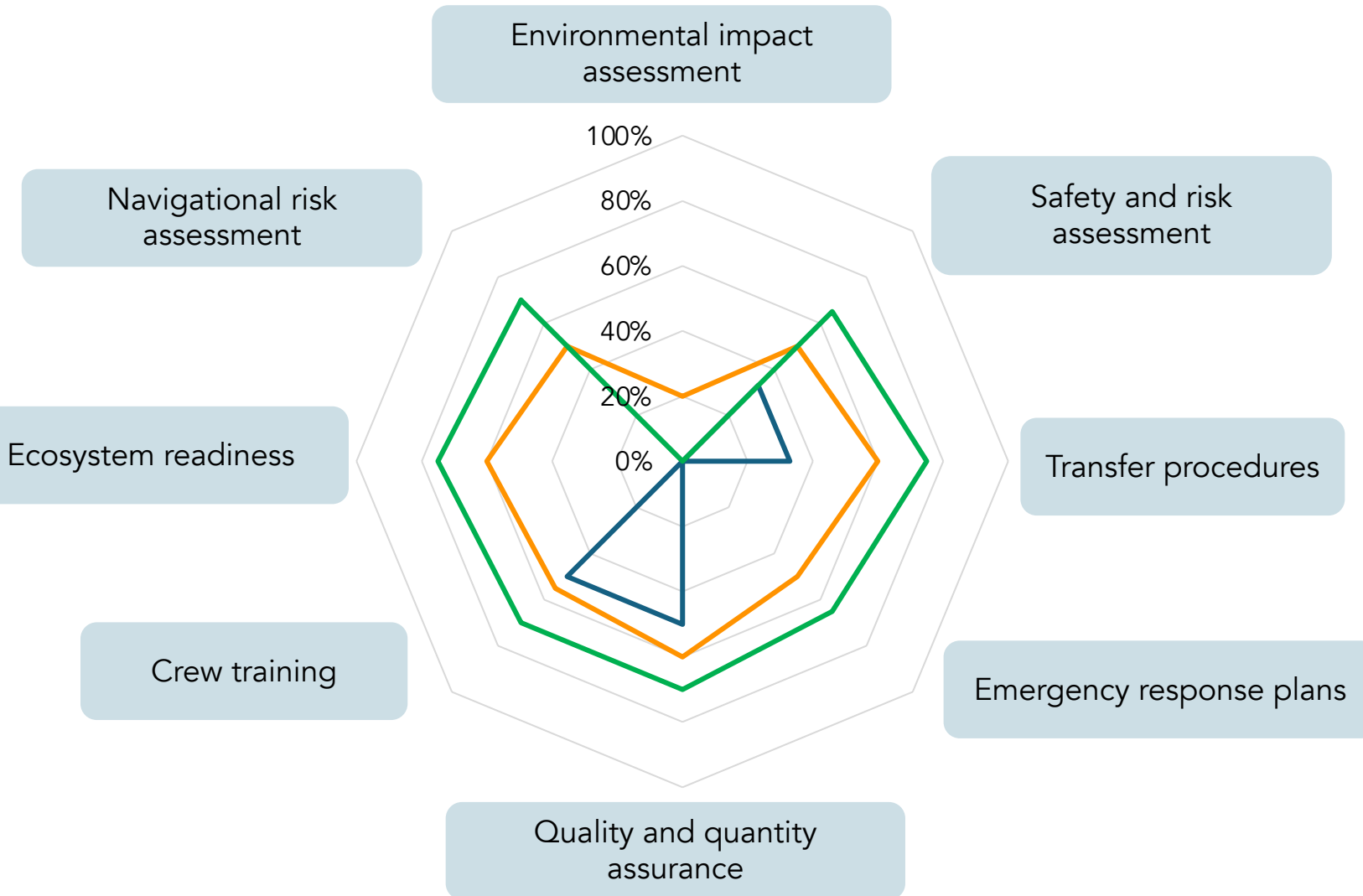
### Industry development and training

- + Guidebook incorporated into curriculum at SMA; first course offered in March 2023
- + Learnings incorporated in SGMF interim bunkering guidelines
- + Collaborating with OSRL to develop emergency response plans

### Readying for STS transfers as proxy to bunkering

- + In Singapore anchorage and ports elsewhere
- + To build confidence and competence

# Closing knowledge gaps progressively with each pilot



- Phase 1 safety study
- Singapore (safety study only)
- Dampier (safety study and trials)



# Pilbara – A potential ammonia bunkering hub?



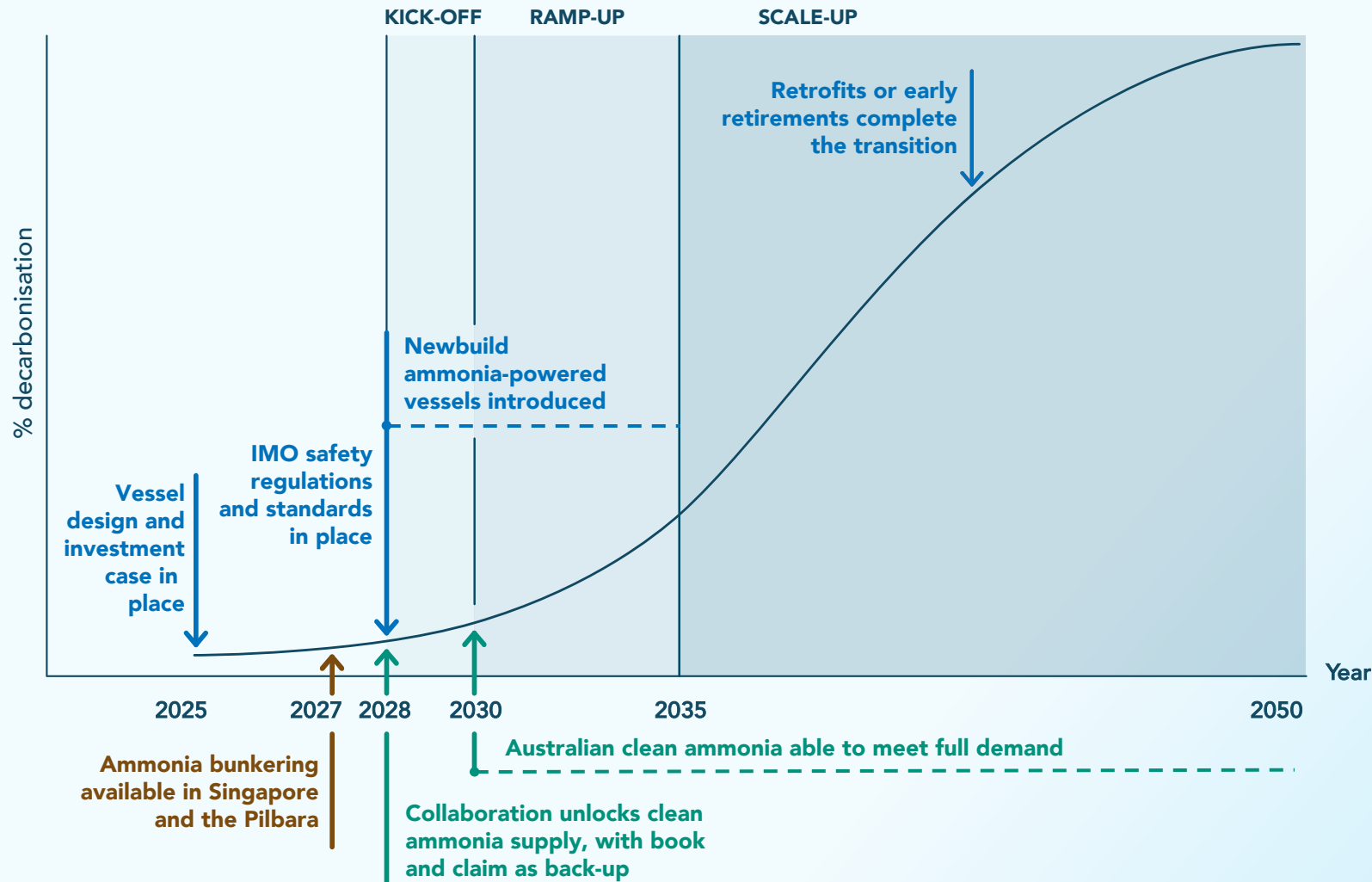
## A Potential Port for Ammonia

- **5%** of all tradeable ammonia are currently supplied through Dampier
- Start of the busiest iron ore route
- About **7,700** vessel calls in the Pilbara Ports for 2023
- Potential demand of **1-1.5** million tonnes of bunker by 2035

Source: Kpler, 11 Oct 2024

Vessel traffic for iron-ore carrying capesize and newcastle max bulk carriers

# Implementing an ammonia-fueled iron ore route



## Feasible pathway to implement the “Western Australia-East Asia Iron Ore Corridor” if:

### By 2027

Ammonia bunkering available in Singapore and / or Pilbara

### By 2028

Ammonia-powered bulk carriers on the water

### By 2030

Enough clean ammonia production in Australia to meet the corridor’s long-term fuel demand

“Fuelling the decarbonisation of iron ore shipping between Western Australia and East Asia with clean ammonia”

Source: Global Maritime Forum, 2023

# Goal of our pilot

To **showcase breakbulk** and **mimic bunkering operations** before ammonia-fueled vessels are available

## Four areas of focus:

**01** | Safety + risk assessments

**02** | Operational procedures

**03** | Safety protocols

**04** | Emergency response protocols





# Five-day operations in the anchorage of Port Dampier

4000 cbm (2700 tonnes) of liquid ammonia was transferred at 700-800 cbm/h from the Green Pioneer to the Navigator Global and back

Day 0-1

Day 2

Day 3

Day 4

Day 5



# Risk assessments were conducted for the operations

*No high-risk items across risk nodes identified*

## Risk nodes

- + **Hazard Identification (HAZID)** was conducted from approach of vessel to mooring, transfer and unmooring
- + **Hazard and Operability (HAZOP)** study was carried out for the transfer process from pressure testing to post-transfer purging

## Risk summary

Risk ranking	Risks identified (HAZID)	Risks identified (HAZOP)
High	0	0
Medium	15	8
Low	8	3

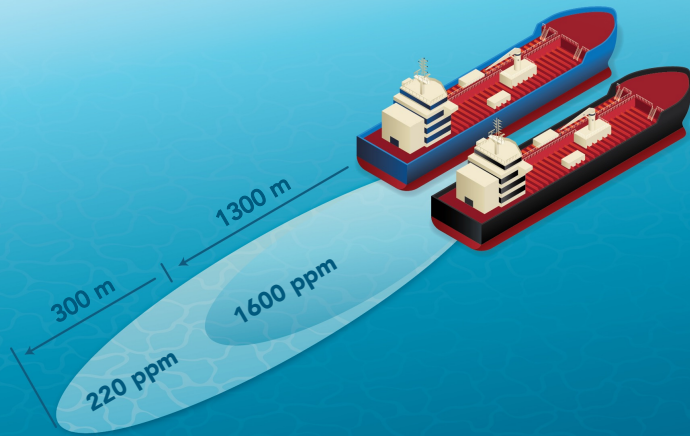
## Key recommendations

- + No simultaneous operations (SIMOPS)
- + Tugs for mooring / unmooring
- + Standby Anchor Handling Tug Supply (AHTS)
  - To assist with equipment transfer
  - To assist with perimeter patrol
  - To standby with fire fighting capability
- + Conduct drills closer to operation date

# Maximum plume length is less than 1 NM

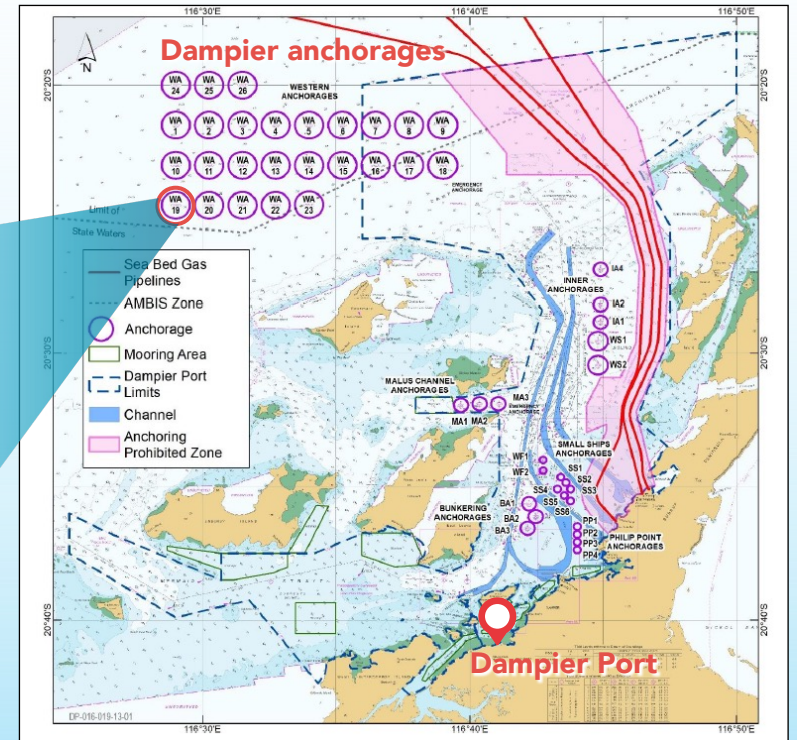
Under a credible worst-case scenario (AEGL 3), the maximum plume length is approximately 1,300 m or 0.7 NM.

This maximum plume length is within the WA19 anchorage.



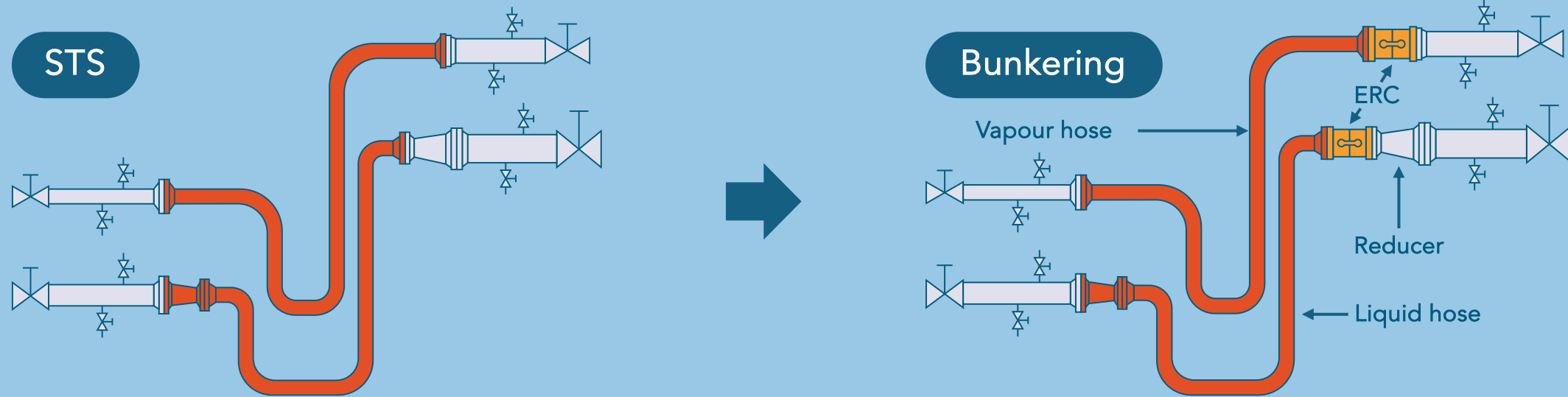
**AEGL scenarios**

ppm	Health risks	10 min	30 min
AEGL 1	Transient	30 ppm	30 ppm
AEGL 2	Irreversible	220 ppm	220 ppm
AEGL 3	Potentially fatal	2,700 ppm	<b>1,600 ppm</b>





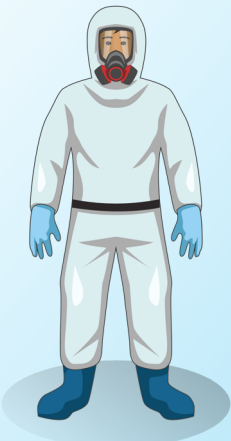



# Building on STS procedures to mimic bunkering operations



Procedures	STS	Bunkering
Manifold connection	Flange to flange connection	Emergency release coupling either on the receiving vessel or the supply vessel manifold
Vapour line	May involve a vapour return line	Vapour return line connected
Lines connection	Multiple liquid lines connected	Only one liquid line connected
Transfer rate	Typical transfer rate > 2000 m <sup>3</sup> /hr	Transfer rate < 1000 m <sup>3</sup> /hr
Disconnection	Disconnection after hot gassing	Disconnection after hot gassing and nitrogen purging

# Personal Protection Equipment (PPE): balancing safety with practicality

Hose disconnection			
Watchkeeping	STS (Hot gassing)	Bunkering (Hot gassing + nitrogen purging + gas measurement)	Emergency response
Regular PPE set with personal gas detector	Light duty chemical suit with breathing apparatus	Light duty chemical suit with gas mask	HAZMAT suit with Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)
			

✓ **5 ppm:** All crew members equipped with personal ammonia monitors, set to detect levels as low as 5 ppm.

✓ **25 ppm:** Alarm goes off; crew would don gas masks and evacuate to the accommodation block.

**<300 ppm:** Gas measurement taken to ensure < 300 ppm before disconnection.

*\*Pilbara trial: 7 ppm after hot-gassing and purging, well within safety limits.*

Emergency shutdown devices halt transfer and isolate manifold when ammonia concentrations exceed 250 ppm

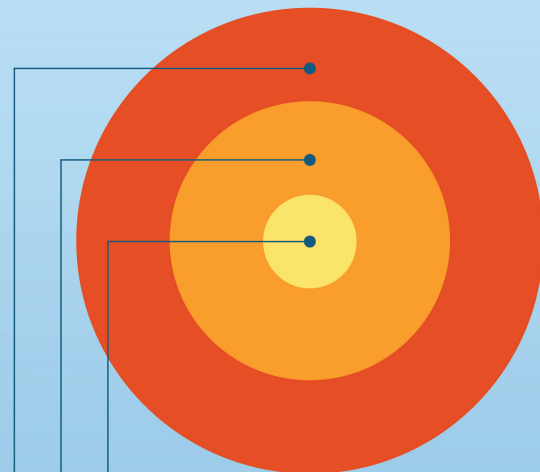
## IMO draft interim guidelines for ammonia detection thresholds

25 ppm for enclosed spaces, 110 ppm for secondary containments, 220 ppm for alarms and shutdowns.

# Emergency response procedures were developed

*Tailored to ammonia's physical characteristics*

## Escalating levels of severity



### Mobilisation levels

- Tier 1:** Can be handled by crew onboard; no external support is required
- Tier 2:** Requires external assistance by vessel management's salvage service representations and/or the local authorities
- Tier 3:** Requires potential external assistance from global salvage companies or response organisations

## Ammonia's physical characteristics

- + Harder to vapourise (needs 2.5 times more heat than LNG)
- + Harder to ignite in open environments
- + Can be recondensed using shields and covers (Required by IMO interim guidelines for bunker stations)

## ERP Primary objectives (SGMF's recommendations)

- + Minimise liquid and vapour ammonia release
- + Contain any released liquid
- + Minimise further vapour generation from any liquid release
- + Further reduce human exposure to the release

## Resources required according to severity release

### Tier 1

#### Required by IMO

- Shipboard monitoring
- Emergency shutdown devices
- Relevant PPEs
- FiFi systems
- Shipboard Marine Pollution Emergency Plan (SMPEP) kits

### Tier 2

- Stability support
- Lightering support
- Towing and recovery
- Salvage and emergency response

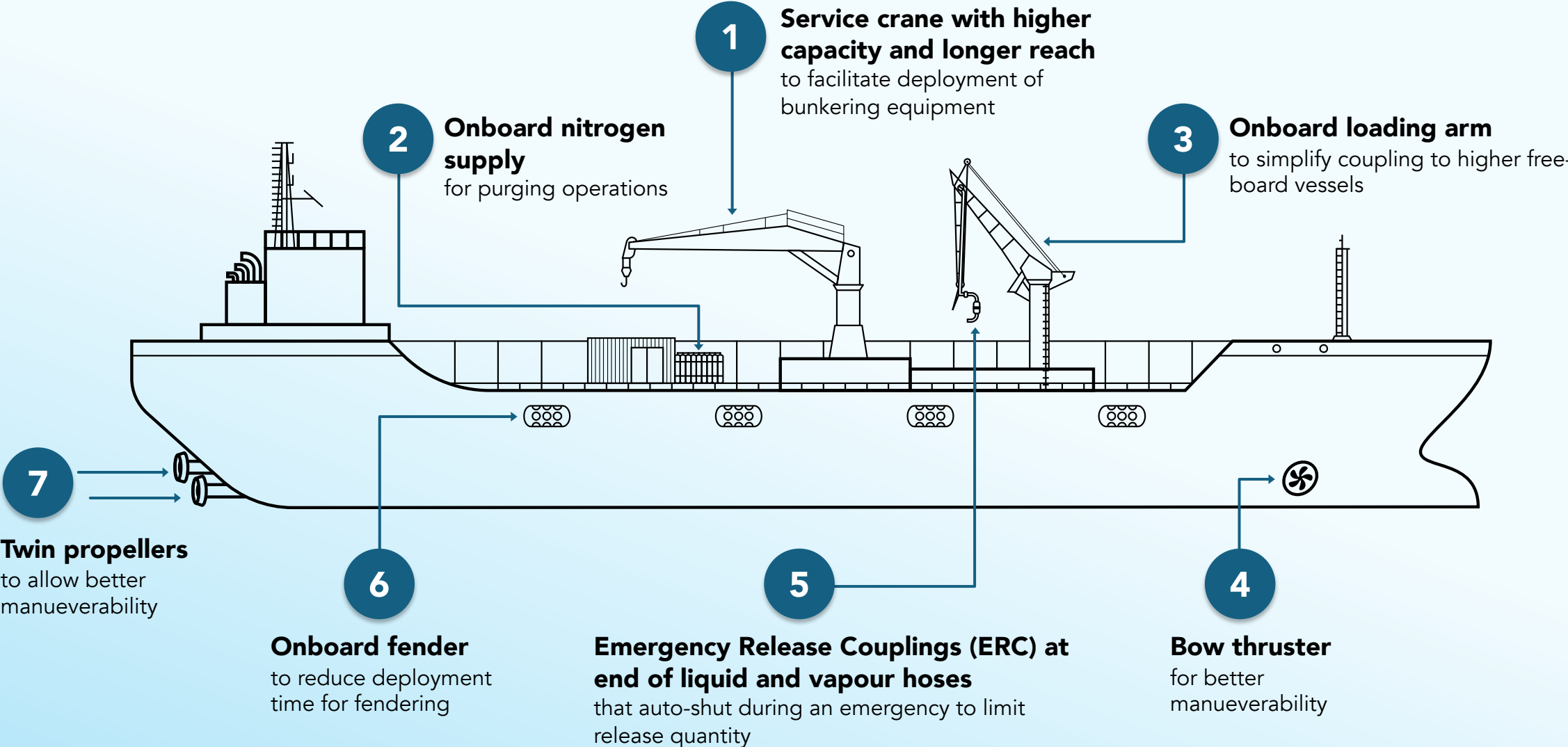
#### Additions incorporated in this trial

- Optical Gas Imaging camera onboard
- Standby vessel capable of firefighting and towing
- Standby certified incident handler for guidance on local resources

### Tier 3



# Elements to facilitate ammonia bunkering



All images used are for illustrative purposes only. Individual features, as well as sizes and fittings, are not drawn to scale and will vary.

# Macro drivers of ammonia adoption



## A multi-fuel future

The shipping industry is evolving towards multiple fuel types, driven by vessel types and trade routes.



## Ammonia adoption by segments



### Ammonia-fuelled gas carriers

- + Likely front runners due to their ability to use cargo as fuel
- + Bunkering and associated infrastructure less of a concern



### Bulk carriers

- + Potential early adopters
- + Bulk cargo routes are typically plied by dedicated large bulkers with only one loading and one unloading port.
- + Ports typically located in remote areas, minimising risks to populated areas.
- + Opportunity increases with nearby ammonia production (e.g., Australia's Pilbara region and China's Zhoushan and Rizhao region)



### Container ships

- + Faces additional safety challenges as container ports are typically located in closer proximity to populated areas

# Building up a network of ammonia ready ports






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