ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER

Amendments to the Charter may be initiated by a petition of at least 10% of the current Chapter membership or by a majority of the Chapter Executive Council. Amendments must then be approved by a two-thirds vote at a regular meeting or a special meeting convened for this purpose. Following this approval, a ballot shall be sent to the Chapter membership. A simple majority of all ballots returned within 21 days of distribution shall be necessary for adoption of any amendment. Upon passage, the amendments shall then be sent to the International System Safety Society Executive Council to be signed into effect by the president and executive secretary of the International System Safety Society.

CHARTER AUTHORIZATION

This Charter supersedes the prior Charter of the New England Chapter, dated January 31, 2001. The Northeast Chapter of the International System Safety Society is duly authorized by the Executive Council of the International System Safety Society to function as a Chapter of the Society in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing this <u>20thday of May 2011</u>, as witnessed by the signatures below:

Officers of the Northeast Chapter

President, Northeast Chapter

Officers of the International System
Safety Society

President, International System Safety Society

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Secretary, Northeast Chapter

Executive Secretary, International

System Safety Society

CHARTER OF THE NORTHEAST CHAPTER OF THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM SAFETY SOCIETY

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the Chapter shall be the Northeast Chapter (herein referred to as the Chapter) of the International System Safety Society (herein referred to as the Society).

ARTICLE II JURISDICTION

The Chapter's boundaries shall incorporate all six New England states in their entirety (Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island) plus New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

ARTICLE III OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Chapter are to advance the management and technology of System Safety in all areas of human endeavor where a systematic approach and analytical evaluation directed toward hazard control can be applied, to improve the dissemination of information among individuals in this field and related fields, to improve public understanding of the discipline, to promote and improve System Safety as a profession, and to promote within the Chapter's jurisdiction the activities and objectives of the International System Safety Society.

ARTICLE IV CHAPTER-SOCIETY RELATIONSHIP

<u>Section 1.</u> The Chapter shall function under the direct sponsorship of the International System Safety Society and shall be governed by the provisions of the Society Constitution and By-Laws and those of the Chapter.

Section 2. The Charter shall be prepared in duplicate form. The original shall be retained by the



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executive secretary of the Society; the duplicate copy shall be maintained in the custody of the officers of the Chapter. The duly authorized signature of the president of the Society appearing on the Charter obligates the Chapter to the provisions of the Charter.

<u>Section 3.</u> The Chapter shall not use the name of the International System Safety Society or obligate in any way the officers or members of the Society without first obtaining the approval of the duly authorized representatives of the Society.

<u>Section 4.</u> Any conflict requiring an interpretation of the provisions of the Charter shall be resolved by the Executive Council of the Society.

<u>Section 5.</u> The Chapter president shall submit to the president of the Society an Annual Report concerning the activities of the Chapter by July 1st of each year.

<u>Section 6.</u> The Executive Council of the Society may, at its discretion, discontinue the Charter of the Chapter when, in its opinion, the Chapter has ceased to exist, has not complied with the minimum Chapter requirements specified in the Society's Constitution, or its actions are considered detrimental to the objectives of the Society.

ARTICLE V MEMBERSHIP

Every person who is listed on the official roster of the Society and whose address is located within the geographical jurisdiction of the Chapter shall automatically become a member of the Chapter.

ARTICLE VI ADMINISTRATION

<u>Section 1.</u> The Executive Council of the Chapter shall administer the affairs of the Chapter in accordance with its objectives, performing those functions as may be customary with the office and as further defined in the By-Laws of the Chapter.

<u>Section 2.</u> The Executive Council shall consist of the elected Chapter officers, the immediate past president, appointed directors, standing committee chairpersons, and others as allowed by the By-Laws of the Chapter.



Section 3. The officers of the Chapter shall be a president, vice president, secretary, events coordinator and treasurer. The president shall hold a membership grade in the Society.

<u>Section 4.</u> The officers shall be chosen by a simple majority vote of the membership, and shall serve for a Chapter term as provided in the Charter and the By-Laws.

<u>Section 5.</u> Chapter terms shall begin on July 1st of each year and end on June 30th of the following year. The actual transfer of administrative responsibilities will occur at the Chapter's Annual Meeting.

<u>Section 6.</u> The By-Laws of the Chapter shall provide for the election or appointment of persons and committees to assist in the administration of the affairs of the Chapter.

<u>Section 7.</u> An office shall be declared vacant in the event that an officer resigns or ceases to be a member of the International System Safety Society. The vacated office may be filled as provided for in the By-Laws of the Chapter.

<u>Section 8.</u> An officer may be removed from office by a two-thirds majority vote of the Chapter Executive Council.

ARTICLE VII ELECTION PROCEDURES

Elections shall be conducted according to the terms specified in the Chapter By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII MEETINGS

The Chapter shall hold not less than two meetings each Society year.

ARTICLE IX CHAPTER BY-LAWS

<u>Section 1.</u> The administration of the activities of the Chapter shall be performed in accordance with the By-Laws established by the Chapter and in accordance with the provisions of the Charter.

<u>Section 2.</u> The By-Laws of the Chapter shall in no way conflict with the provisions of the Constitution of the International System Safety Society, the By-Laws of the International System Safety Society or the Charter of this Chapter.