

Submission: **USA 7**

Reporting committee: **ITC**
RACE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

VPP WITH TWS OF 4 KNOTS

PROPOSAL

To expand the range of the VPP to 4 knots TWS.

RATIONALE

There are numerous circumstances when the true wind speed during a race falls below the current threshold of 6 knots and it is impractical to abandon the race and restart due to the conditions falling below this lower range in the VPP. In some regions this is a very common scenario and there has been feedback from owners asking if the ORC VPP is fair if it does not include these wind ranges which are common in their area.

If the VPP can provide ratings for this lower range it will allow for more accurate scoring, do a better job of fairly rating boats - particularly with a typical broad mix of boat types that are common in local fleets - and thus contribute to a broader acceptance of use of the ORC system.