

## Media Release

### AMENDMENTS TO SYDNEY PORTS CHARGES

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**25 June 2010**

Sydney Ports Corporation today announced that it will amend Statutory Port Charges from 1 July 2010.

Sydney Ports CEO Grant Gilfillan said that Sydney Ports will apply an annual CPI adjustment on all wharfage and navigation services charges from 1 July, 2010.

The annual CPI adjustment of 2.18% is based upon the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) December 2009 Consumer Price Index for Sydney (released on 27 January, 2010).

The annual CPI adjustment will also apply to pilotage charges which were approved by the Minister for Ports and Waterways in April 2010.

Mr Gilfillan also confirmed new charges from 1 July 2010 to fund the implementation of the Port Botany Landside Improvement Strategy (PBLIS).

“On 29 April, 2010 the Minister for Ports and Waterways announced that the NSW Government had authorised the implementation of PBLIS,” Mr Gilfillan said.

“The overarching objective of PBLIS is to implement a binding commercial performance framework between stevedores and road carriers that incentivises consistent performance of the landside interface to reduce congestion and delays in the port precinct.”

Mr Gilfillan said that in accordance with Section 62(2) of the *Ports and Maritime Administration Act 1995*, the Minister had approved a wharfage increase of \$10.00 per TEU from 1 July, 2010 for all import and export containers, excluding empty containers, transshipments and containers destined for coastal trade.

“This charge is in addition to the existing container wharfage charge levied by Sydney Ports Corporation,” Mr Gilfillan said.

The additional \$10.00 per TEU is to fund the implementation of the PBLIS solution which includes information technology solutions to support Operational Performance Management (OPM), infrastructure for a Truck Marshalling Area (TMA) and the cost of administering the OPM and TMA.

Sydney Ports last month wrote to port users to notify of the updated schedule of port charges to apply from July 1, 2010.

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