

24 May 2011

NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

Patrick Terminal – Planned Strike Action

To Our Valued Clients,

Please find a transcript of the latest notice to shipping lines issued by Patricks:

“Notice to Clients & Industry No 24 of 2011

MUA Industrial Action against Patrick.

1715 Friday 20 May 2011

Good afternoon All,

We advise that the Maritime Union of Australia ‘MUA’ has indicated that they intend to take protected industrial action in the form of a series of bans and limitations against Patrick at all four of its container terminals as described below.

A seven (7) day period commencing at the start of normal day shift on Wednesday 25 May 2011 at our East Swanson Dock and Port Botany Terminals. Normal work to recommence at start of normal day shift Wednesday 1 June 2011.

A sixty four (64) hour period commencing at the start of normal day shift on Wednesday 25 May 2011 at our Fishermans Island Terminal. Normal work to recommence at 2300hrs Friday 27 May 2011. This to be followed by a further five (5) day period commencing at start of normal midnight shift on Sunday 29 May. Normal work to recommence at 2300 hrs Friday 3 June 2011.

Fremantle Terminal will be affected for seven (7) days from normal day shift commencement on Thursday 26 May to normal day shift commencement on Thursday 2 June 2011.

There is a real possibility that Patrick will be unable to perform it’s normal business during this period.

We regret the negative impact and inconvenience that this MUA action will impose on the maritime industry, the wider Australian importer/exporter community and small and large businesses alike.

Patrick remains committed to negotiating an agreement with the MUA that balances real productivity improvements with appropriate and competitive employment conditions.



We appreciate your patience as we deal with this matter, we will work with you on a best endeavours basis to ameliorate its impact both on ship working and on the landside.

We will update you as appropriate. “

In order to avoid major delays to Florence v.15N we have decided to omit her scheduled call at Patricks Port Botany and instead call at Patricks Port Kembla, in order to discharge Sydney import units and load any as yet unreceived export cargo. Unfortunately, export cargo already delivered into Pt Botany cannot be transferred to Pt Kembla due to time constraints. Florence is due to be alongside Pt Kembla wharf on Wednesday 25th May.

Export cargo already delivered to Patricks Pt Botany will unfortunately remain at the terminal until the dispute has been resolved.

Given the potential for further delays in Brisbane we have decided to switch terminals from Patricks No.10 to AAT. Any received cargo will be transferred by vessel operator. Could you please contact your local Brisbane agent to obtain information regarding the change in terminals and updated receival dates.

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