

FACT SHEET

Trade relocation

Expanding Melbourne's Port Capacity

- A key element of the creation of additional container capacity within the Port of Melbourne is the construction of a new international container terminal at Webb Dock East.
- To facilitate this work, shipping operations at Webb Dock East berths 3, 4 & 5 ceased on 1 July 2014.
- Until completed, the wharves at 3, 4 and 5 Webb Dock East will be under the control of the Corporation's appointed maritime works contractor, McConnell Dowell, which will upgrade and modify the wharves.
- The closure of the three berths at Webb Dock will create the need to reallocate trade to other locations including Webb Dock West and Appleton Dock. These docks will be managed by Australian Amalgamated Terminals (AAT).
- Berth priority arrangements are in place to efficiently accommodate car trade in particular and ensure that Victoria
 continues to deliver its manufactured cars to world markets. There is also a temporary automotive laydown area,
 which is a secure car park for the short term storage of new vehicles, north of Williamstown Rd.
- Berthing of vessels at Appleton Dock and Webb Dock West are being managed in accordance with the berthing priority arrangements AAT is responsible for the allocations of all berths, Webb Dock West berth 2, Appleton Dock berths 1 (D & E) and 2 (B & C).
- Bass Strait coastal trade operators, Toll and SeaRoad, will continue with 'business as usual' during this period.
- Terminal operators and the Port of Melbourne Corporation are working closely to create 'predictive schedules' that
 will wherever possible minimise impacts, or at the very least, forecast ahead enabling co-ordination across the
 supply chain.
- The Corporation is conscious of the need to ensure streamlined transport connections and is liaising with shipping lines, terminal operators and peak bodies such as the Victorian Transport Association, the Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries and Shipping Australia.
- It is anticipated that the temporary arrangements will be in place for about 18 months, however as soon as the new facilities are ready at Webb Dock, trade will be progressively phased back.

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