



**PORT WARATAH**  
COAL SERVICES

## CUSTOMER NOTICE

**Date** 4 January 2019  
**Subject** Tidal Vessel Coal Loading Plans – Trial

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Port Waratah will soon trial a new process for managing the sailing draught of tidal vessels. We will begin requesting updated load plans for tidal vessels from 14<sup>th</sup> January.

This trial aims to:

- Provide clarity on the coal loading plan that the vessel will commence loading to.
- Provide clear processes for providing the vessel with additional tonnes.
- Not compromise the shipper's ability to assemble sufficient cargo.

Key steps of the trial process are:

- The shipment contract and cargo assembly process will not change and will be based upon a 15.18m MSD.
- 2-5 days prior to the vessel's ETL Port Waratah will notify the vessel to supply an updated CLP. This CLP will be to the MSD of the first low-high water following the ETC of the vessel. These updated load plans will be requested Monday to Thursday to allow sufficient time for the amended load plans to be produced and uploaded.
- The shipper is to upload this new CLP and update variances as required.
- The vessel will be signed up to this CLP.
- During loading, live run will determine if additional tonnes can be provided to the vessel. These decision points will occur 6 hours after the commencement of loading and 6 hours prior to the forecast time of completion. These decisions will take into account the probability of being able to sail on the high-high water and the various risk factors.
- After 3 months the results of the trial will be reviewed with all stakeholders.

Port Waratah still require that the vessel is ready to sail on the next available tide and will not be altering this rule.

If you have any questions in regard to this trial, please contact myself or Craig Allen.

Regards

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