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Dear Valued Customers

### **WATER RESTRICTIONS – PORT OF CAPE TOWN**

The City of Cape Town imposed Level 5 water restrictions effective from 3 September 2017, until further notice. Level 5 restrictions entail a ban on all use of municipal drinking-quality water for outside and non-essential purposes. Insufficient rainfall and fast declining dam levels have led to the current unprecedented water crisis.

During times of short water supply, the City manages water usage more strictly by imposing more severe water restrictions and limiting households and businesses from excessive water usage.

With this in mind, it is incumbent upon all industry players to seriously review their own water utilization. This would be aligned with directive issued by the Minister of Water and Sanitation in relation to water usage.

Management of the Port of Cape Town has resolved the following:

- With immediate effect all sale and supply of potable fresh water to vessels calling at the Port of Cape Town will be suspended, with exceptions being considered on merit.
- Vessels are hereby requested to take in water at other Ports not affected by the drought (**eg. Port of Ngqura, Port of Port Elizabeth, Port of Durban, etc**).
- Ship repairers are requested to advise their clientele that no fresh water will be available for any repair work to vessels during their stay in the dry docks. They are requested to alternatively make use of mobile water supply.
- Lay-by vessels and Repair vessels not in dry dock, will have to generate their own water on-board or from available desalination systems which can be locally acquired.
- Please note that the ruling above applies to all tenants in the Port.

Until natural drought relief is realised by way of sustained rainfall, these measures are to remain in force until further notice.

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While it is conceded that these measures may have a negative impact on some business components, so dire is the situation in the City that the Port is resolute in its decision in the interest of basic survival of all who have to live in this region.

Please direct all enquiries in this regard to the Berthing Manager, 021 449 2705.

Regards

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**PORT MANAGER**