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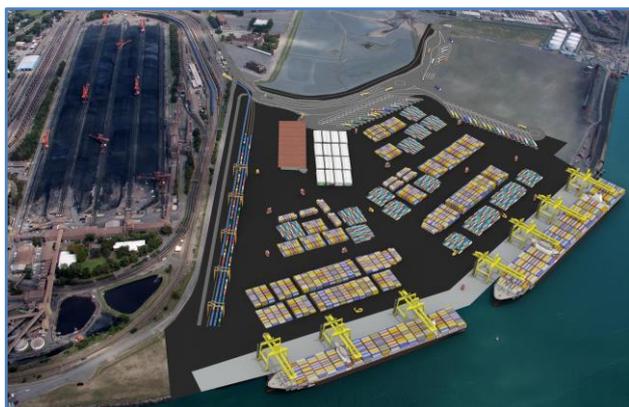
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## DAWR review report on hitchhiker pests

The Inspector-General of Biosecurity Dr Helen Scott-Orr PSM has recently completed a review of how the Australian Government Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (DAWR) manages the biosecurity risks of hitchhiker pests and contaminants entering or becoming established in Australia. ICHCA Australia, through its membership of the DWAR Cargo Consultative Committee, has provided input. A copy of the review can be found at this [link](#).

## Port of Newcastle commits to developing a container terminal

Port of Newcastle CEO Craig Carmody has committed the Port of Newcastle to developing a world-class container terminal to boost jobs and business opportunities in the Hunter region, and dramatically reduce the number of trucks on Sydney’s roads through expanded use of Newcastle’s rail connectivity.



“The potential for a container terminal in Newcastle to diversify and grow the NSW economy is far bigger than the NSW government seems to realise. We are already exploring a range of options based on global best practice and I am looking forward to discussing our plans with the State government and port developers who have expressed an interest in this exciting project,” Mr Carmody said.

*L: Concept illustration of the proposed container terminal.*

Mr Carmody continued, “We have already received interest from domestic and global players who want to develop a state-of-the-art container terminal with productivity performance that will be unlike any other Australian port. However, we cannot proceed while the NSW government imposes an artificial restriction on port competition.”

Economic modelling by Deloitte Access Economics shows that a container terminal in Newcastle will deliver greater freight efficiency and competitive advantages for Australian businesses. It will be a catalyst to grow the Hunter region, boost international trade, generate jobs and move freight faster and more cost effectively.

The Port of Newcastle is the world’s largest coal export port and the largest port on the east coast of Australia. The benefits of a Port of Newcastle container terminal include reduced freight costs, reduced port congestion, increased freight efficiency, reduced infrastructure costs, and a catalyst for regional growth.

## Automated electric containership on order

Norwegian shipbuilder VARD has been selected to build the *Yara Birkeland*, which will be the first fully automated, electric container vessel. A partnership between technology company Kongsberg and Yara was announced in 2017 to build the world's first autonomous electric container vessel. *Yara Birkeland* is expected to improve road safety, replacing about 40,000 truck journeys per year.

Yara president and CEO Svein Tore Holsether said the company was relying on teaming up with partners with an entrepreneurial mindset and cutting-edge expertise. "VARD combines experience in customised ship building with leading innovation and will deliver a game-changing vessel which will help us lower our emissions and contribute to feeding the world while protecting the planet," he said.

*Yara Birkeland* is scheduled to be delivered from Brevik in Norway in the first quarter of 2020. The hull will be delivered from VARD Braila in Romania. VARD CEO and Executive Director Roy Reite said the company was honoured to be chosen as Yara's partner in the project. "With a longstanding experience in building state-of-the-art and tailor-made specialised vessels, we are excited to be given the opportunity to build the world's first autonomous and electric-driven container vessel," he said.

The project has received 133.6 million Norwegian Krone in support from the Norwegian government.

## Vale Tony O'Hare

Former Australian shipping executive Tony O'Hare recently passed away in Albury, New South Wales, where he and wife June O'Hare had been living in recent years. Tony was the founder and managing director of Bridge Line Pty Ltd and with the backing of three major shareholders slowly built the Line into a successful operator in the Australia to Japan and Korea trade, and later also to China. Subsequently, major shareholder Blue Star Line Pty Ltd acquired the company and it became Blue Star Asia Pty Ltd. Tony and his dedicated staff continued to increase the Line's market share in all sectors of the trade.

In the 1950s and early 1960s Tony was based in the UK and his career began in the RAF. He then worked in the British Merchant Navy before joining the British East India Steamship Co. Moving to Australia in the 1970s, Tony worked for P&O and then Overseas Container Lines. Tony was also a past president of the Australian Chamber of Shipping, now Shipping Australia Limited.

## Joint SAFC/ICHCA 2018 national conference to be held in Adelaide 31 October – 1 November



The South Australian Freight Council (SAFC) has collaborated with ICHCA to host a joint conference aimed at exploring and explaining the critical change issues that confront the national, state and local transport and logistics industries, across all four modes (road, rail, sea and air), as they continue to perform their vital freight functions for industry.

With the theme "Future Freight: Embracing Change", the Conference program will cover two days (Wednesday 31 October and Thursday 1 November 2018), commencing at 10:00am to allow delegates to complete any urgent work tasks before attending, and an early 3:00pm finish on Thursday to facilitate interstate delegates catching late afternoon flights home. A cocktail and networking event will be

held at the end of Wednesday's proceedings.

The program is expected to cover many of the critical change issues confronting the national, state and local transport and logistics industry, across all four modes and along the supply chain.

Four key themes have been identified to date:

- Future Freight: Embracing Policy Change
- Future Freight: Embracing New Opportunities and New Supply Chains
- Future Freight: Embracing All Modes and their Changing Functions and Operations
- Future Freight: Embracing New Technologies

The conference is expected to draw solid support across all transport modes and from all functions along the supply chain – from paddock to plate and from wharf to warehouse, retail facilities and then into homes and businesses.

For Further information about sponsorship and speaking opportunities, exhibiting at the Conference or attendance in person or by some of your staff members please contact:

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## Two new Deputy Commissioners at the ABF

The Australian Border Force (ABF) has confirmed two new Deputy Commissioners, Mandy Newton APM and Justine Saunders APM will lead Australia's frontline border agency under the command of Commissioner Michael Outram.

Ms Newton will commence in the role of Deputy Commissioner Operations effective from 3 September 2018, and Ms Saunders will commence in the role of Deputy Commissioner Support on 29 October 2018.

Commissioner Outram said both officers demonstrate extensive leadership and operational experience that will be essential in their respective new roles. "Mandy and Justine bring further quality and strength to our renewed ABF senior leadership team and I congratulate them on their appointments following a highly competitive recruitment process," Commissioner Outram said.

## Australian Logistics Council appoints new chair

The Australian Logistics Council (ALC) has confirmed Philip Davies as its new chair. He takes over from Ian Murray AM who stepped down earlier in the year. According to an ALC statement, Mr Davies is respected in Australia and overseas with more than 25 years' experience in policy development, management and infrastructure project delivery. Previously he was chief executive of Infrastructure Australia (IA).

Mr Davies is credited with recognising the merits of developing a National Freight and Supply Chain Strategy and recommended the initiative be done as part of the Infrastructure Audit. Before his time at IA, Mr Davies gained experience in designing and implementing integrated transport management plans. This included the development of the London Transport Command and Control Centre and playing a key role in the introduction of congestion charging within central London.

## ICHCA International event in Vancouver



ICHCA International and the US National Maritime Safety Association (NMSA) are delighted to present **NEW TECH, NEW WORLD WEEK** from 18-21 September 2018 in Vancouver, Canada. Multiple industry, regulatory and technology forces are converging to challenge and change the world of cargo handling as we know it.

Bigger ships and shipping industry consolidation; automation, digitalisation and electrification; and increased safety and environmental legislation all have significant impact for HSSE, risk, compliance, skills and training, cargo care and operations professionals at sea, at the ship-shore interface, in ports and terminals and along landside transport chains.

ICHCA International, the professional membership body and NGO for the global cargo handling sector, is delighted to join with NMSA, supported by host the British Columbia Maritime Employers Association (BCMEA), to stage a series of meetings and networking under the headline theme “New Tech, New World”.

The event will bring together national, regional and international cargo professionals to explore latest industry, regulatory and technology trends and share views and experiences on the impact for safety, security, sustainability, skills development and day-to-day practical operations.

[Book your place here.](#)

## BMSB season starting now

The Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) season begins on 1 September 2018. ICHCA Australia recently joined fellow members of the DAWR Cargo Consultative Committee (DCCC) in addressing a range of BMSB matters, including the uptake of overseas approved treatment providers and the onshore treatment of cargo arriving from affected countries.

The Department strongly advises importers to seek approved treatment of the goods by overseas accredited providers but will allow onshore treatment once the goods have arrived in Australia. However, onshore treatment may result in delays (and costs) to the release of the affected cargo.

For more detailed and updated information please visit the [DAWR website](#).

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## Ministerial reshuffle in Morrison cabinet

The new Prime Minister, Hon. Scott Morrison MP, has announced a ministerial reshuffle of portfolios which affect the industry.

- Hon. Alan Tudge MP has become Minister for Cities, Urban Infrastructure and Population (replacing Hon. Paul Fletcher MP).
- Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Transport and Infrastructure, Hon. Michael McCormack MP, adds the Regional Development portfolio to his responsibilities.
- Hon. Scott Bucholz MP has been appointed Assistant Minister for Roads and Transport.
- Senator the Hon. Simon Birmingham has become Trade Minister, replacing Hon. Steven Ciobo MP who takes over Defence Industry.
- Hon. Kelly O'Dwyer MP has become the Minister for Jobs and Industrial Relations.
- Hon. Peter Dutton MP retains the Home Affairs portfolio but has lost Immigration which previously fell under its purview. Hon. David Coleman MP is the new Immigration Minister.
- Hon. David Littleproud MP remains Agriculture Minister.

## Maersk to trial Northern Sea Route



*Vistula Maersk is a sister ship of the vessel that is to traverse the Russian north coast (photo Seago Line)*

Danish shipping line Maersk is getting ready to send one of its newbuild ice-class feeder ships through the Northern Sea Route (NSR) – a first for the world’s largest shipping company.

The trip through the NSR will be one-time occurrence as the ship, named *Venta Maersk*, makes its maiden voyage from China to Northern Europe.

Delivered on July 11th, *Venta Maersk* is the fourth vessel in a series of seven ice-class Baltic feeder

containerships to serve the North Sea and Baltic Sea for Seago Line, the intra-Europe and short-sea carrier of Maersk. The 3,600 TEU vessels are among the world’s largest ice-class containerships, designed specifically for operation in winter conditions (down to -25 degrees C). Apart from a stronger hull, the vessels are also fitted with 600 reefer plugs for refrigerator cargo.

“It is important to underline that this is a trial designed to explore an unknown route for container shipping and to collect scientific data. Currently, we do not see the Northern Sea Route as an alternative to our usual routes. We plan new services according to our customers’ demand, trading patterns, and population centres. That said, we do follow the development of the NSR. Today, the passage is only feasible for around three months a year which may change with time. Furthermore, we also must consider that ice-classed vessels are required to make the passage, which means an additional investment,” a statement from Maersk said.

## Cruise terminal at Botany Bay?

A cruise terminal at Garden Island is well and truly off the table, with the New South Wales government turning its attention to two sites in Botany Bay for a third cruise terminal in Sydney. The state government’s Cruise Development Plan, released recently, points to Molineaux Point and Yarra Bay as the two preferred options for another Sydney cruise terminal. The plan calls for the state government to develop a “strategic business case” assessing the viability of the two sites.

The plan also calls for the state government to investigate the possibility of using Hayes Dock – the site of Hutchison’s Sydney International Container Terminal – as a temporary cruise terminal while a permanent one is built. State Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight Melinda Pavey said Sydney is Australia’s premiere cruise destination and it is vital that government take steps to ensure the industry’s future.

“Our state has been the victim of its own success when it comes to cruise with existing facilities such as the Overseas Passenger Terminal and White Bay Terminal struggling to keep up with significant growth in passenger and ship visitation,” she said. “The Commonwealth Government has confirmed Garden Island is not a viable option for a cruise terminal due to the significant challenges in sharing berth space alongside the Navy, so it is vital we now do our homework and scope other alternatives.”

State Tourism Minister Adam Marshall said the measures in the plan would help keep the cruise industry powering along and support cruise tourism in regional NSW.

“NSW’s cruise industry supports 12,800 jobs and injects \$1.6 billion into our economy each year so it is vital we take the steps necessary to propel the industry’s future growth,” Mr Marshall said.

“The NSW Government will work with industry to identify solutions to maximise capacity at Sydney’s two existing cruise terminals in Sydney harbour, while also working with partners to support growth in key regions such as Eden, Newcastle and Port Kembla.”

## New CEO at Mid West Ports

Rochelle Macdonald has been appointed CEO of Mid West Ports Authority (MWPA). MWPA board chairman John Elkington appointed Ms Macdonald to the role after an extensive recruitment process.

Ms Macdonald has extensive experience in the maritime industry, including time in high-level management at North Queensland Bulk Ports and at Dampier Port Authority. She also holds degrees from Harvard Business School, University of Technology Sydney, Curtin University and University of Tasmania.

## ICHCA SA special event

ICHCA SA is holding an industry luncheon in Adelaide on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018**. The speaker is Mr Richard Price, Chief Executive Defence SA, and the topic is *Defence Opportunities and Global Supply Chains*.

Richard Price was appointed Defence SA Chief Executive in October 2017 after joining the agency as Executive Director Defence and Industry in July 2016. During his time as Executive Director he assisted in developing and delivering a program of activities aimed at sustainably growing the defence presence and the defence industry base of the state.

Richard has worked within the defence and public safety sectors for over 25 years and has international industry experience in leadership, business development and engineering.

To register for the event, [please click here](#).

The luncheon is proudly sponsored by:



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## AMSA to increase focus on cargo stowage

THE Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) has issued a marine notice reminding vessel owners, operators and masters of the importance of stowing cargo in accordance with approved arrangements. The marine notice highlights the importance of complying with Chapter VI of the *Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention* given effect in Australia by *Marine Order 42 (Carriage, stowage and securing of cargoes and containers) 2016*.

A statement from AMSA pointed to recent incidents, including the loss of 81 containers from the Liberian-flagged cargo ship *YM Efficiency* off the Australian coast, that have shown how failure to comply with approved arrangements can increase the risk of cargo being lost overboard.

AMSA Deputy CEO Gary Prosser said there would be an increased focus on cargo arrangements during future Port State Control inspections in Australia. “We expect cargo to be carried in full compliance with a vessel’s Cargo Securing Manual and the *SOLAS Convention*,” he said. “If cargo is found to be stowed

incorrectly during an AMSA inspection vessel operators are warned that ships will not leave dock until they are compliant.”

In the notice, AMSA said it is aware of recent incidents where loaded containers were carried in slots intended for empty units, loaded containers exceeded the maximum weight for a particular slot, and fixed and portable securing equipment were not maintained properly.

The full notice can be read on the [AMSA website](#).

## Mark Hulme to leave DP World

DP World Australia (DPWA) has announced the departure of Mark Hulme, Chief Operations Officer – Logistics. In an internal announcement, DPWA Managing Director and Chief Executive Paul Scurrah said Mr Hulme had advised him of his decision to move on after 18 years, finishing in mid-August.

Mr Scurrah said Mr Hulme had contributed significantly to DPWA achievements. “Mark led the Brisbane Terminal transformation to a semi-automated facility, providing the foundation that now sees our Brisbane terminal as one of the most efficient terminals of its mode globally,” Mr Scurrah wrote.

“As chief operating officer – terminals, Mark delivered an outstanding enterprise agreement outcome in 2015, balancing the company’s long-term business requirements and providing our employees with improved conditions and employment opportunities.”

Mr Scurrah described Mr Hulme as “a valued member of the executive leadership team”. “On behalf of the executive leadership team and DP World Australia, I would like to personally thank Mark for his loyalty and dedication, and for his contribution to the overall success of DP World Australia.”

## New chair at the Port Authority of New South Wales

Robert Dunn has been announced as the new chairman of the Port Authority of New South Wales board of directors. Mr Dunn has been a director on the Port Authority’s board since 2014, and formerly a director of Sydney Ports Corporation, starting in 2012.

In addition to these roles, Mr Dunn is Opportunity International’s global executive director; he is also director of Opportunity International Australia’s Indian subsidiary Dia Vikas Capital. Until April of this year Mr Dunn was also CEO of Opportunity International Australia, which is a not-for profit organisation that provides microfinance and community development programs to people living in poverty.

Mr Dunn said he was looking forward to building on and progressing the work of the Port Authority.

## Kalmar to provide new equipment to ACFS

Kalmar won the contract for the provision of mobile equipment to Australian Container Freight Services (ACFS) operations in Adelaide, Fremantle and Melbourne. The order includes three DCG100 empty container handlers and two DRG450 reach stackers.

Kalmar is providing the machines under the “Kalmar Fleet Solution”, which allows customers to purchase a rental fleet from the company and the fleet is maintained by Kalmar under a fixed monthly maintenance charge.

“With the Fleet Solution that Kalmar provides, we do not have to worry about breakdown and downtime as they are well covered by Kalmar in their fully maintained rental solution,” Tim Holmes, General Manager of

ACFS said. “This allows us to focus on our core business to deliver best class container freight logistics to our customers.”

Kalmar Australia mobile equipment Business Director Michael Wahab said: “We strive to understand and offer what the customer truly wants at the end of the day. In choosing Kalmar Fleet Solution, which is fully maintained by Kalmar, we have eased past problems customers had in owning something that they did have input to build, which is equipment tailor made to their business needs.”

## DAWR biosecurity levy

The DAWR is looking to introduce a Biosecurity Imports Levy on 1 July 2019 and is consulting with affected industry parties on the design and implementation of the levy.

ICHCA Australia and other industry stakeholders have had discussions with the Department regarding the levy and the Department has collated feedback received across all meetings held with industry to date. A summary of the feedback is published on [the department’s website](#). The information seeks to clarify frequently asked questions from industry participants during the consultation process to date.

If you have further questions, please contact the department via email so that they can address your questions as part of this engagement process.

## South Australian inquiry into the bulk grain export supply chain



The Essential Services Commission of South Australia has released its draft report on the inquiry into the South Australian bulk grain export supply chain costs. The purpose of the report is to elicit further information on matters relevant to the terms of reference for the Inquiry, particularly from industry participants, and to provide the opportunity for consideration and testing of the report’s draft findings.

The Draft Report findings are summarised below.

- South Australia is a very small player in the world-wide bulk grains export market. Its grain export supply chain faces continued competitive threat from existing and emerging low-cost producers. While South Australia produces high quality grain and makes that grain available for export in a very timely manner, the South Australian supply chain has little influence on the global market, is vulnerable to global trends and operates under an imperative to reduce supply chain costs simply to maintain market share.
- The Inquiry has focussed largely on the performance and behaviour of Viterra, given its position of strength within the grain export supply chain.
- Based on available facts and evidence, at this time the grain export supply chain is not demonstrably inefficient, in terms of its costs, from both an overall and individual supply chain segment perspective. Further, at this time, Viterra’s returns are not unreasonable and are strongly dependent on yearly harvest yields. The extent to which this continues over time will be dependent

on Viterra's future actions as a provider of grain export supply chain services, given its position of strength within that supply chain.

- There are potential changes to aspects of the grain export supply chain's functioning which, at the margin, are likely to improve efficiency and enhance the prospect of users obtaining a greater share of any gains made. Examples include providing greater transparency regarding fee levels and Viterra's financial performance and removing fees that may inhibit the development of third-party competition.

The Commission is now consulting on the draft report (closing date for submissions 17 September 2018). After considering the submissions, the Commission will provide a final report to the Treasurer by 31 October 2018.

The Commission would be pleased to meet with stakeholders, either individually or with representative organisations, to discuss the findings presented in the [Draft Report](#).

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