

Notice to Clients No.16 of 2005

Wednesday 26 October 2005

As at 0900 today the following imports are Customs cleared and available for immediate delivery;

Fisherman Islands, Brisbane	991 containers
Port Botany, Sydney	1,597 containers
East Swanson Dock, Melbourne	2,200 containers
North Quay, Fremantle	570 containers

We are able to report a slight improvement in the percentage of import containers cleared and available for immediate delivery.

For the 24 hours to 0600 today we delivered 1,130 containers ex Port Botany and 1,200 containers ex East Swanson Dock. We can report that terminal rail and road deliveries ran smoothly yesterday, this is at odds with the misinformation being presented in the media in terms of truck delays at our terminals.

Subject to increased flow of clearances from Australian Customs we are confident that we can continue to move forward and minimise delays to vessel schedule. All in the transport logistics chain need to positively engage and become part of the solution to the immediate problem of the import container backlog including the beneficial cargo interests.

Patrick will make available as many import timeslots over each 24 hour period as are required to ensure imports can be delivered. In addition, Patrick will be open for delivery this coming weekend Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th and we again urge all parties to avail themselves of this facility.

All Consignees/Importers, Customs Brokers, Freight Forwarders and Transport Companies are advised to check the updated import availability on Patrick's customer web page enet.patrick.com.au and/or the Customs web page <http://itools.customs.gov.au/containers/index.htm>

We will keep you updated as appropriate.

Best regards,

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