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## FAO: All Shipping Lines and Agents

### Environmental Incentive Scheme starts 1 January 2019

Collectively our industry has the potential to make significant gains on important sustainability goals such as protection of air quality and mitigation of climate change.

NSW Ports is committed to improving environmental outcomes at its ports and will introduce an environmental incentive scheme to apply to vessel related charges at Port Botany and Port Kembla from 1 January 2019. In this way we reward customers and port users that share our commitment to environmental improvement.

NSW Ports is the first Australian port organisation to introduce such an initiative. This voluntary incentive is consistent with international approaches in place at 53 ports globally.

We wrote to you earlier in the year about our intention to launch this scheme. Since then we have been in dialogue with industry stakeholders and have now finalised the scheme.

To this end I have enclosed a Factsheet to help you understand how your company could benefit from the incentive. The Incentive has been extended to include container vessels using Port Botany. Vessel fees for container vessels are levied by the Port Authority of NSW. Notwithstanding the fact that NSW Ports does not receive vessel related fees from container ships, we believe that it is essential to encourage all vessels using our ports to strive for environmental improvements.

The incentive will be applied to vessels performing better than the levels required by current emission standards of the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) and will be based on vessels registered with the Environmental Ship Index.

To ensure you are eligible and can benefit from the incentive scheme please take the time to read the enclosed Factsheet. If you have any questions email me at [Jason.McGregor@nswports.com.au](mailto:Jason.McGregor@nswports.com.au)

Yours sincerely,

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*Enclosed:*  
Environmental Incentive Factsheet and Questionnaire