



# Tariff Application 2019/20

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Cape Town

# Overview

- Weighted Efficiency Gains from Operations (WEGO) update
- Port Tariff Incentive Program (PTIP) update
- Context to review of Tariff Methodology
- Tariff Application 2019/20
  - Capex implementation
  - Valuation of Regulatory Asset Base
  - Comments due – focus areas
- The process going forward



"When it comes to the children I believe in light-touch regulation."

# WEGO update

- R154 million in the WEGO “kitty” for the current (2018/19 tariff year)
- Is it starting to make a difference?
- Current process focussed on data collection and verification
- Task team consisting of PRSA and PCC KPI subcommittee (including NPA) will be responsible in each port
- Focus now shifting towards next round of WEGO KPI’s
- Intention to get some level of agreement on the target areas by port

# Port Tariff Incentive Programme (PTIP)

- Supporting beneficiation, industrialisation, and localisation through port tariff regulation
- The process is intended to serve as a mechanism by which beneficiation, in the form of cross-subsidies (which are in “*the interest of the public*”) may be introduced into the port tariff system
- Developed in conjunction with the Department of Transport, the Department of Trade and Industry, and the National Ports Authority and was launched in 2017
- Results in an amendment to a tariff line(s) within the tariff book
- Relevant documents are available on the Regulator’s website

# Port Tariff Incentive Programme

- One application was received from OSHO Cement for the 2019/20 tariff period.
- Osho Cement (the Applicant) is engaged in setting up a cementitious grinding facility in the Coega IDZ, with a total project cost of R 750 million. The project aims to reduce the dependency on imported cement and stimulate the local economy.
- The application relates to the following import and export tariffs:

Tariff Line	Proposed Cargo Due (R/ton)	Cargo Due as at 2017/18 (R/ton)	Cargo Due as at 2018/19 (R/ton)
1. Clinker (Dry Bulk, (5) Cement and Clinker)	R 1,50	R68,41	R27,04
1. Granulated Blast Furnace Slag (Bulk (dry and liquid) Granulated Blast Furnace Slag)	R 1,50	R68,41	R7,40
1. Limestone (Bulk (dry and liquid) Limestone)	R 5,13	R 25,65	R7,40
1. Gypsum ((2) Dry Bulk, (5) Gypsum & Products thereof)	R 5,13	R 25,65	R27,04

# Port Tariff Incentive Programme

- Interested parties encouraged to submit written comments
- Submissions on the application due the 12<sup>th</sup> of October 2018
- Applications for the next round closes 31 January 2019

# The Tariff Application

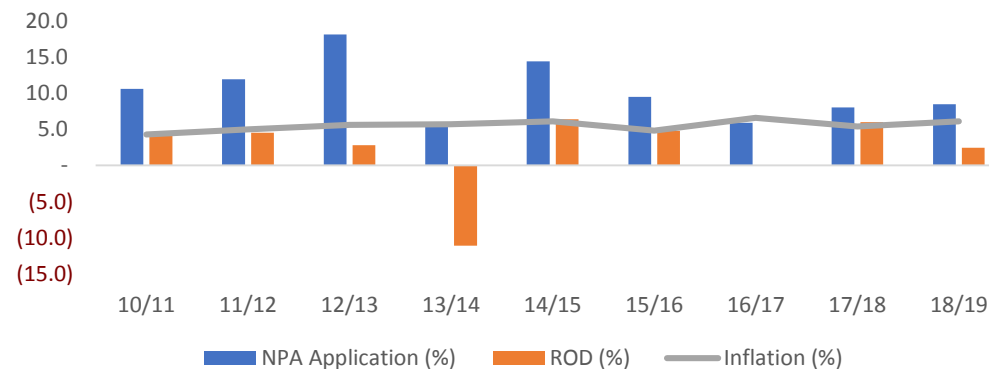
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**The following few slides do not reflect any decision or formulated view of the Ports Regulator, but rather should serve as a guide to assist in drafting your submissions and input into the process.**



# Previous Records of Decision

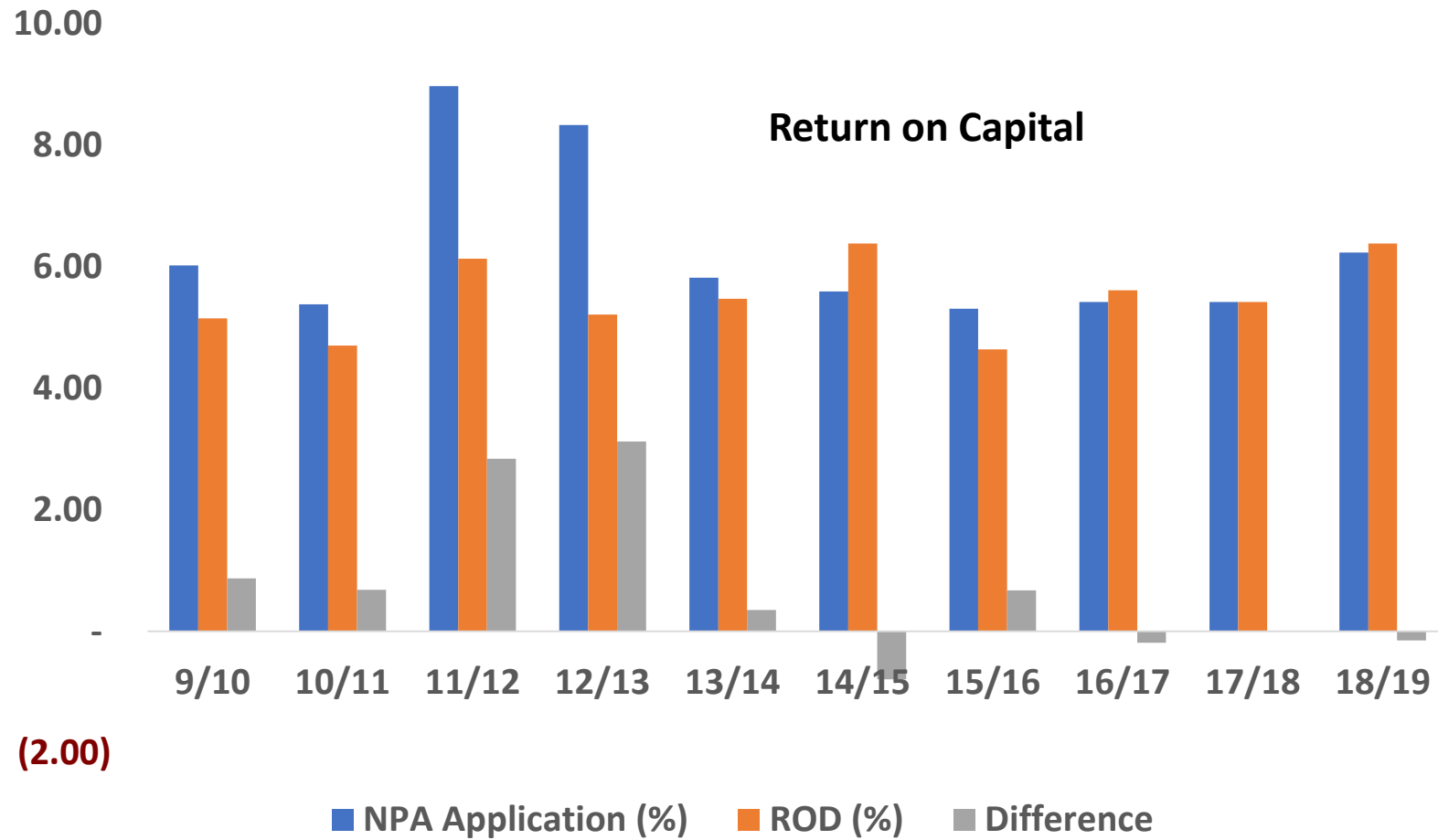
NPA Application			
Tariff Year	(%)	ROD (%)	Inflation (%)
10/11	10.6	4.4	4.3
11/12	11.9	4.5	5.0
12/13	18.1	2.8	5.6
13/14	5.4	(11.1)	5.7
14/15	14.4	6.4	6.1
15/16	9.5	4.8	4.8
16/17	5.9	-	6.6
17/18	8.0	6.0	5.4
18/19	8.5	2.5	6.1



# Review of the Tariff Methodology

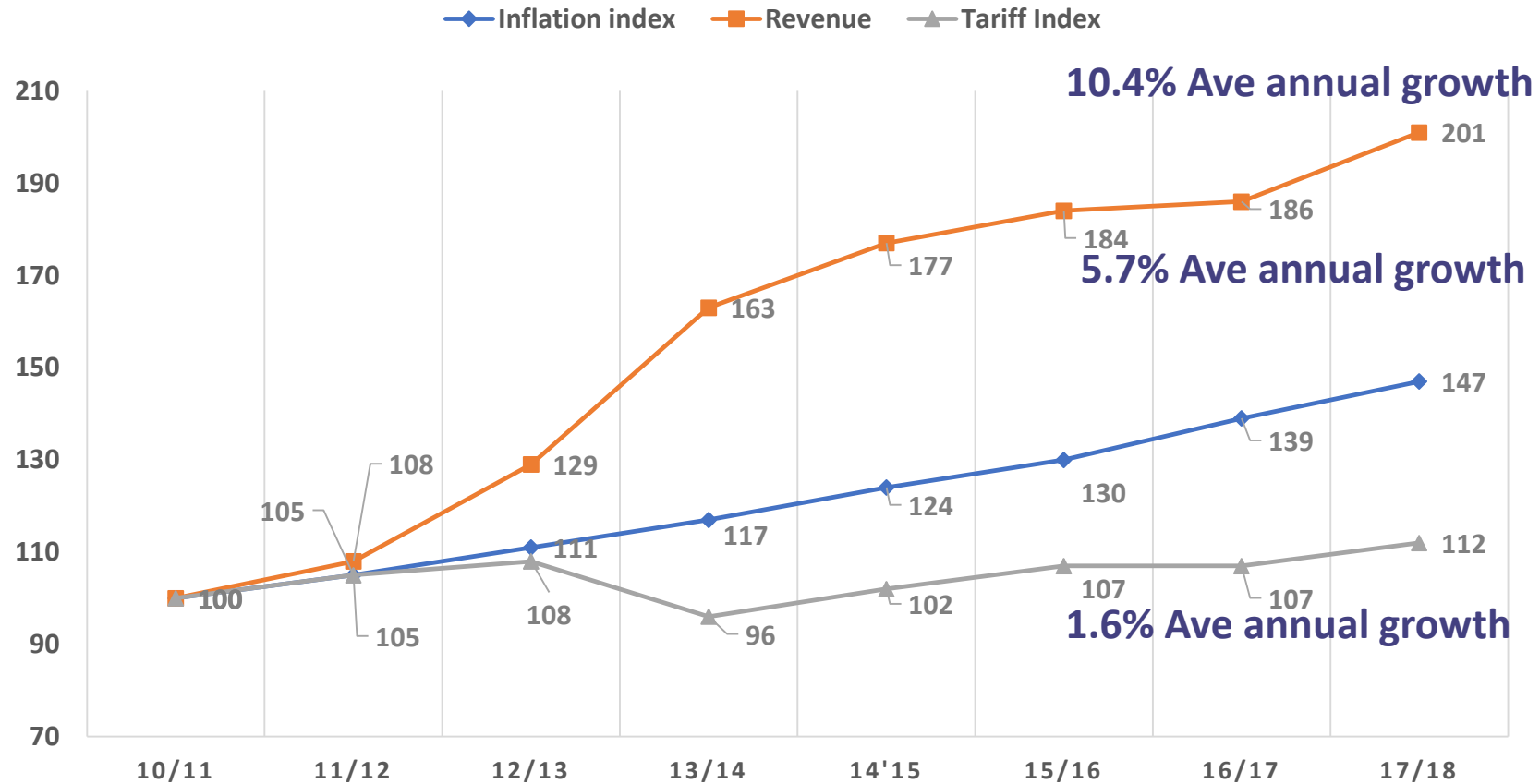
- Second Multi-year Tariff Methodology coming to an end next year.
- 2019/20 to see a review of the Tariff Methodology
- This process is starting now

# Why a Tariff Methodology?



# NPA sustainability

The right Tariff Methodology allows the Regulator the space to ensure price stability *and* system sustainability...



# The Application: some objective comments

- The Authority has applied for a below inflation tariff adjustment of with forecasted CPI being 5.10% (the application)
- This translates to a weighted average tariff adjustment of **4.21%** for FY 2019/20.

• Required revenue of **R13 681m**

## • Tariff differentiation proposed in the application:

- An average 8.00% increase for Marine Services tariffs applicable to shipping lines
- An average 2.74% increase for cargo dues tariffs with:
  - Containers tariffs to increase by 1.79%;
  - Automotive increasing by 0.00%;
  - Bulk (Liquid and Break) tariffs increasing by 5.00% except:
    - Coal to increase by 8.00%; and
    - Ores and Minerals: Magnetite to increase by 8.00%.
    - Other Dry Bulk cargo dues to increase by 3.75%.

## Brief observations...

- **Broadly aligned with Tariff Strategy**
- **Services paid for in USD and commodities priced in USD paying more**
- **Continued support for Roro**
- **All other prices below inflation**

# The Application: some concerns

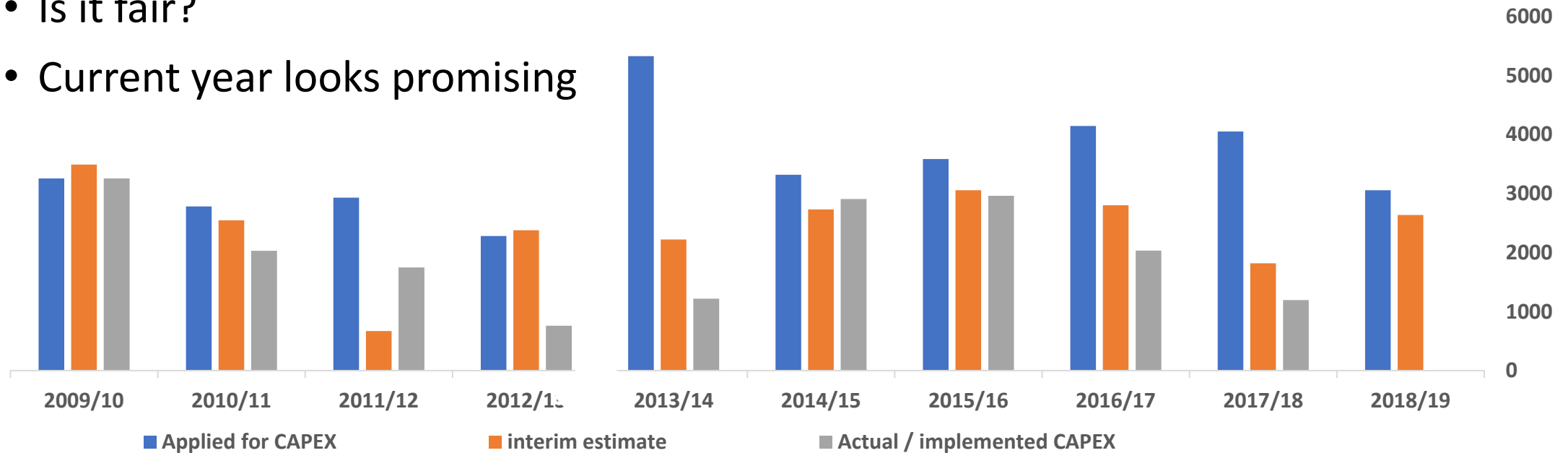
- **Capex implementation**
- **Implementation of the Valuation of the Regulatory Asset Base (VoRAB) Methodology**

We will briefly deal with each separately

# The Application: some concerns

## Capex implementation

- Is the PCC process providing sufficient capex input and implementation oversight?
- Stronger tariff incentivization for capex? (something like WEGO for Capex?)
- Is it fair?
- Current year looks promising



# The Application: some concerns

- **Implementation of the Valuation of the Regulatory Asset Base (VoRAB) Methodology**
- **Why is it important?**

$$RR = WACC * RAB + Dep + Opex + Tax \pm Claw Back \pm ETIMC \pm WEGO$$



# The Application: some concerns

## Valuation of the Regulatory Asset Base (VoRAB) Methodology implementation

### A brief background

- Three different approaches considered:
  - Physical Capital Maintenance (*replacement* pricing)
  - Financial capital maintenance (*Repayment* pricing)
  - Economic Capital maintenance (*Opportunity* cost pricing)
- Many factors were taken into consideration:
  - Long lives of port assets
  - Murky history of some of these assets
  - Financial sustainability of the port system
  - Allowance for capacity ahead of demand

# The Application: some concerns

## Valuation of the Regulatory Asset Base Methodology implementation

### The VoRAB Methodology provided for the following:

- VoRAB methodology moving from “*replacement pricing*” to “*repayment pricing*” approach
- Treatment of old (pre 1990) assets to be based on HC
- Post 1990 and new assets to be treated on TOC basis
- The design of the TOC allows for the “backloading” of tariffs – allowing volumes to catch up
- Maintenance incentivised
- Incentives for NPA to enter PPP’s

# The Application: some concerns

## VoRAB Methodology implementation

- NPA did *not* implement VoA methodology (published March 2018)
- Citing concerns w.r.t. sustainability
  - But have not as yet provided the Regulator with any substantial motivation or data
- Public process critical for ensuring transparency as well as sustainability of the port system.
- Opportunity cost to port users of non-implementation R3.8 billion in 2019/20
  - Tariff application 2019/20
- A balanced and pragmatic approach is required

# The Application: Comments

And finally, please focus your comments on the following:

- Volume forecast
  - Cargo and vessel numbers and trends
- Inflation expectation
- SA flagged vessel discount to be reviewed after three years
  - Regulator to consider whether to expand/continue at current levels or stop the incentive
  - Has it made a difference? can we target it better?
- Strategic use of the ETIMC
  - A facility created for Port users
  - Regulator utilizes it in case of tariffs in excess of inflation
  - ..or to support the NPA
  - Smoothing mechanism

# The Application: Comments

And finally, please focus your comments on the following:

- Valuation Methodology
  - Significant impact on both Port users and Transnet
  - The Regulator needs to take a balanced and responsible decision – your inputs are required
- Amendments to the tariff book
  - Please note that application every year also include some changes to wording etc. This may impact you business-we need to hear about it.
- WEGO feedback
- PTIP submissions
  - Any cross subsidy allowed (or even just accelerated tariff correction) will see everyone else pay slightly higher – we need to hear your views
  - CMTP envisaged opportunities for incentives

# Process

- Roadshows:
  - Durban 14 September Garden Court Marine Parade
  - Johannesburg 17 September Emperors Palace Convention Centre
  - Port Elizabeth 18 September Protea Hotel
  - Cape Town 19 September Pepper Club Hotel
- Comments due 12 October 2018
- Decision due Friday 30 November 2018

Q&A