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THE TRANSNET NATIONAL PORTS AUTHORITY PROPOSED TARIFFS 2013/2014

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The South African Association of Ship Operators and Agents ("SAASOA") is a section 21 company which represents Ship Operators and Vessel Agents. Its members are also members of various international shipping and ship's agency organizations. The South African Association of Ship Operators and Agents was formed to fulfill the following objectives:

- To promote and protect the interest of members
- To be an active participant in the development and maintenance of a world class Shipping industry in South Africa
- To collaborate in efforts towards the continuous improvement of shipping standards for mutual benefit of all stakeholders.
- To ensure that the Maritime & Shipping Industry is recognized by Government as a very important & integral part of the South African economy
- To ensure that vessel and cargo interests enjoy maximum throughput productivity at all Terminals in South African Ports

It is on these objectives that SAASOA noted the invitation to comment on the Transnet National Ports Authority (TNPA) Tariff Application for 2013/2014. In response to your invitation, we have commissioned a study as attached titled "Transnet National Ports Authority Tariff Application 2013/14".

We await to hear the favorable outcome to the process.

Yours sincerely

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