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**PORT OF MELBOURNE**

**SWANSON DOCK EAST BERTH 3 – HARBOUR MASTER'S DIRECTION**

**Date:** 01 October 2020

**Refers:** N/A

**Details:** Port users are advised that due to the ongoing rail works at the northern end of Swanson Dock East Berth 2 between CH 580 and CH 650, there is limited wharf space available for the movement and positioning of the cranes at Swanson Dock East Berth 3 in accordance with HMD's section 3.17.3.

The works are scheduled to commence on about Friday 02 October 2020 and complete on about Monday 05 October 2020 depending on the weather and vessel schedules.

During the rail infill works period, to minimise the risk associated with berthing and unberthing vessels in the conditions where the cranes cannot be positioned in accordance with the HMD's section 3.17.3, the Harbour Master has provided the following directions:

- 1) All vessels berthing at Swanson Dock East Berth 3, irrespective of size are to take a minimum of 2 tugs (or 3 tugs if required by the HMD's) until further notice.
- 2) Portainer cranes and lines boats are to be positioned as required to enable safe berthing / unberthing of vessels.
- 3) Extra tugs for departure from Swanson Dock East Berth 3 will be assessed by the Pilot on a case by case basis and risk assessed with the Master. The outcome is to be reported to VTS.

For more information, contact Melbourne VTS on 9644 9700.

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**Publications affected:** AUS 154

**Further notice:** Further notice will be issued.



**Kell Dillon  
Harbour Master**