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To: Stevedoring Companies of Cement Vessels

Mandatory Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Cement Vessel Stevedores

1. Please note that stevedore workers deployed to work in cement vessel hatches are required to wear standardized Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) that protects:
 - (a) respiratory system
 - (b) head
 - (c) feet
 - (d) eyes
 - (e) skin
 - (f) hands
2. Attached in Appendix A is a table showing the approved PPE to be worn by tractor drivers and workers.
3. All stevedore companies are to also ensure that tractors deployed into the hatches:
 - have functioning air-conditioning system within the cabin
 - do not have damaged inner or outer cabin items that will allow significant level of dust to enter the cabin and compromise driver's safety and health.
4. This new requirement will take effect on 1st January 2017.
5. For your compliance.

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Appendix A

Recommended Personal Protective Equipment for Cement Vessel Stevedores

Type of Protection	Type of Personal Protective Equipment	Protection Requirements
Respiratory Protection	N95 Disposable Respirator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FFP2 - Filter separates 94% of airborne particles • For hazardous or harmful particles, vapour and smoke; filters for solid and liquid particles with a medium filtering level. For protection up to 10 times the corresponding threshold value
Head Protection	Safety Helmet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To meet requirements under SS 98: 2013 Specification for Industrial safety helmets
Feet Protection	Steel-Toe Waterproof Boots	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To meet requirements under SS 513: 2013 Specification for personal protective equipment – Footwear Part 1: Safety footwear
Eyes Protection	Safety Goggles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To meet requirements under SS 473-1:2011 Specification for Personal eye-protectors – General requirements. • Anti-fog on the inside of the lens, scratch resistant on the outside • Comprehensive side protection around the eye area
Skin Protection	Long Sleeves Coveralls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coveralls with reflective strips are required to enhance visibility
	Face Hood (Open Face)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optional item to protect the face
Hands Protection	Nitrile Gloves (Inner gloves)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good mechanical resistance • Offers reliable protection against oil and dirt
	Leather Gloves (Outer gloves)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worn over Nitrile Gloves • Prevents cuts on hands and fingers

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