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SAL supportive of New South Wales Minister's call to elevate debate on maritime issues

“Shipping Australia welcomed NSW Ports Minister, Joe Tripodi’s call for greater emphasis to be placed on strategic maritime issues, ports and port land side links to promote better consistency in port regulation and national reforms” the Chief Executive Officer, Llew Russell said today.

“Ports and connections to and from ports have been an important focus for Shipping Australia as part of a more strategic overview of maritime issues in Australia for some time.

“Valuation of port land and taxes on imports should be added to the list of important issues to be addressed as outlined by Minister Tripodi.

“For many years SAL has encouraged the promotion of greater consistency and in port regulation and maritime reforms nationally, including international standards or if that is not possible at least national standards” Mr Russell said.

SAL also supported the recommendation that the Australian Transport Council discuss once a year strategic maritime issues and matters concerning ports and port-side links, or at least to have one meeting where these issues are a major focus of discussion.

“Any action that can be taken to raise the level of debate regarding national maritime issues certainly has our support.” Mr Russell said.

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