



INTRODUCTION

Maritime Transport Policy presentation to Transport Portfolio Committee

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Background
- Aim, Scope and Structure of Draft White Paper
- Vision, Policy Principles and Goals
- Maritime Transport Policy Statements
- The Implementation Plan



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- Cost implications
- Way forward and deadlines



BACKGROUND

- The DOT Strategic Plan 2005-6 & 2007-8 gave impetus for development of policy.
- Consultants appointed to assist in developing policy.
- Internal discussions with line function Chief Directorate
- Discussion document developed and circulated internally for comments
- Draft policy developed

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- Two legged seminars with key industry stakeholders took place countrywide in 2005 & 6.
- Consultation with provincial legislatures
- Consultation with other government depts. and DOT branches on draft policy took place.
- Consolidation of inputs and comments into draft policy



AIM, SCOPE AND STRUCTURE OF WHITE PAPER

AIM

- To create a policy environment that facilitates the growth and development of the Maritime Transport sector

SCOPE

- Focuses on policy relating to Maritime Transport
- Shipping as the link in an integrated and intermodal transport system
- Industries associated with shipping
- Service delivery



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STRUCTURE OF THE DOCUMENT

- Strategic environment of Maritime Transport in SA
- The context of the policy.
- Maritime Transport issues facing SA and Policy Statements on these issues
- Implementation of new policy



VISION

To be globally competitive and through socially and environmentally responsible arrangements ,contribute to the development and growth of the economy.



POLICY PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES

- Constitutional provisions.
- International law and practice.
- National Transport Policy.
- Regional Considerations.



GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- Develop an internationally competitive shipping industry.
- Build a nation of seafarers.
- Create a Maritime Transport friendly environment.
- Facilitate South African direct participation in the broader maritime industry.



POLICY STATEMENTS

- Proper governance of Maritime Transport
- Grow and develop Maritime Transport sector
- Recruit qualified officials to establish world class Maritime transport activities
- Improve efficiency of SA commercial ports and turnaround times of ships in conjunction with DPE



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- Engage regional governments to investigate how regional shipping can better facilitate and develop trade.
- Committed to decent work on SA registered ships and fair labour practices
- Comply with International Maritime Organisation conventions and protocols



IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- Create a shipping register
- Initiate a process to establish holistic arrangements to govern SA Maritime zones
- Promote the potential of the Maritime sector within coastal provinces and metropolitan cities
- Review the education , training of seafarers and people working in associated industries in conjunction with DOE



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- Review the ILO Maritime Labour Convention and domestic legislation to ensure decent work for seafarers
- Honour the obligations of SA as party to UNCLOS ,IMO and IALA and the importance of safe navigation



THE ROLE OF THE PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE

- Inform the DOT of the policy direction
- Provide strategic directive that will curb hindrance to approval of policy by Cabinet
- Allow for consultation with Branch on continuous basis



COST IMPLICATIONS

- Project is funded by DOT
- Policy will be implemented through DOT and Maritime Transport Regulation



WAY FORWARD & DEADLINES

- Draft policy submitted to DOT EXCO in August 2007
- Draft policy will undergo Cabinet processes after approval from EXCO

THANK YOU

