

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
Question Without Notice

Wednesday, 2 June 2021

C234. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Ports

My question without notice of which some notice has been given is to the Minister representing the Minister for Ports

I refer to recent media articles which reference significant increases in port charges by the Pilbara Ports Authority and I ask:

1. Can the Minister table the full schedule of fees and charges applied by the Pilbara Ports to bulk exporters of iron ore during the years 2018/19; 2019/20; 2020/21?
2. To what extent were iron ore exporters consulted on the most recent increases in fees and charges?
3. Did the Minister meet with any affected iron ore exporters in relation to the increased charges and, if so, can the Minister provide the dates of any meetings and with whom?
4. What methodology was used to determine the increased fees and charges?
5. Were any concessions granted to specific users?

Answer

1. I table the attached documents that are available on the Pilbara Port Authority website.

2-5. Decisions relating to fees and charges are made as part of the annual State Budget process.



SCHEDULE OF PORT CHARGES
Effective 1 July 2018



PORT OF PORT HEDLAND		
All Prices Exclude GST		\$
Pilotage Charges²		
GRT: 10,825 - 20,000 GRT (\$/GRT)	\$/GRT	0.5508
Minimum Charge (up to 10,824)	\$/vessel	5,963.97
GRT: 20,000 - 39,999	\$/vessel	11,777.86
GRT: 40,000 - 59,999	\$/vessel	15,001.56
GRT: 60,000 - 79,999	\$/vessel	16,295.99
GRT: Greater than 80000	\$/vessel	17,071.26
Interport Movements		
Less than 1,000 GRT	\$/vessel	1,295.77
More than 1,000 GRT	\$/vessel	1,813.60
Cancellation/Attendance Fee	\$/vessel	486.37
Pilotage Exemption Certificate Fee	\$	600.00
Local Knowledge Certificate	\$	40.91
Tonnage Charge		
Minimum Charge	\$/vessel	712.10
Tonnage	\$/GRT	0.2703
Cape Size Vessel Surcharge >60,000 GRT Surcharge	\$/GRT	0.1733
Wharfage Charges - Bulk Minerals¹		
East Side Berths		
Bulk Minerals (0 - 300,000 t)	\$/tonne	1.95
Bulk Minerals (Over 300,000 t)	\$/tonne	1.70
Bulk Liquids (acid, oil, bitumen)	\$/tonne	4.98
Utah Point		Price on Application
Wharfage Charges - Non Bulk Minerals¹		
20-foot Empty Container	\$/unit	11.02
20-foot Filled Container	\$/unit	96.07
40-foot Empty Container	\$/unit	22.04
40-foot Filled Container	\$/unit	205.44
Livestock (Cattle)	\$/head	1.44
Livestock (Goats & Sheep)	\$/head	0.48
General Cargo Goods	\$/tonne or m3 (greater of)	4.12
Hazardous Cargo	\$/tonne	5.14
Berthage Charges		
Vessel Size (LOA)		
Less than 30 meters	\$/hour	42.48
30-60 meters	\$/hour	85.01
60-100 meters	\$/hour	113.37
100-150 meters	\$/hour	212.56
150-200 meters	\$/hour	302.38
200-250 meters	\$/hour	377.98
Greater than 250 meters	\$/hour	452.93

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Storage Charges		
Container Storage		
Container Storage 1 - 3 Days		No Charge
Container Storage 20-foot > 3 days	\$/week	19.15
Container Storage 40-foot > 3 days	\$/week	38.31
General Cargo Storage		
General Cargo Storage 1 - 3 days		No Charge
General Cargo Storage 4 - 10 days	\$/m2/day	0.33
General Cargo Storage > 10 days	\$/m2/day	0.66
Bulk Cargo Storage		
Bulk Cargo Storage 1 - 7 days		No Charge
Bulk Cargo Storage 8 - 14 days	\$/m2/day	0.33
Bulk Cargo Storage > 14 days	\$/m ² /day	0.66
Miscellaneous Charges		
East Side Shiploader Hire	\$/tonne	3.10
Security Charge	\$/GRT	0.04
Wharf Fresh Water	\$/KL/tonne	3.90
Oil Spill Equipment For Lease ³		On Request
Maritime Security Identification Card (MSIC) Charges		
MSIC Card - 2 Years	\$	227.27
MSIC Card - 4 Years	\$	454.55
Replacement Card (lost, stolen or damaged)	\$	59.09

¹Wharfage will be charged in respect of cargo which passes on, over, under, through, to or from any berth, wharf, pier, bank, shore, structure or other place within the Port of Port Hedland (the Port), or between vessels within the Port, or over the rail of a vessel, to or from shore, barge, lighter, water, structure or other place within the Port when moored at a berth, wharf, pier, bank, shore, structure or other place within the Port.

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PRICING (FEES AND CHARGES) - PORT HEDLAND EFFECTIVE 1 JULY 2019			
			2019/20 CHARGES \$
Pilotage Charges			
10,825 - 20000 GRT (\$/GRT)	\$/GRT		0.5921
Minimum Charge (up to 10,824)	\$/vessel		6,411.26
20000 - 39999 GRT (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		12,661.20
40000 - 59999 GRT (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		16,126.68
60000 - 79999 GRT (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		17,518.19
Greater than 80000 GRT (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		18,351.61
Interport Movements			
Less than 1000 GRT (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		1,392.95
More than 1000 GRT (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		1,949.62
Cancellations	\$		522.85
Pilotage Exemption Certificate fee	\$		600.00
Local Knowledge Certificate fee	\$		40.91
Tonnage Charge			
Minimum charge (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		765.51
Tonnage (\$/GRT)	\$/GRT		0.29
Cape Size Vessel Surcharge	\$/GRT		0.1862
Wharfage Charges - Bulk Minerals			
East Side Berths			
Bulk Minerals (First 100,000 t)	\$/tonne		2.40
Bulk Minerals (100,001 - 300,000 t)	\$/tonne		2.40
Bulk Minerals (Over 300,000 t)	\$/tonne		2.15
Copper Concentrate (Container Emptied)	\$/tonne		2.15
Bulk Liquids (acid, oil, bitumen)	\$/tonne		5.43
Utah Point			Price on Application
Wharfage Charges - Non Bulk Minerals			
20-ft Empty Container	\$/unit		11.85
20-ft Filled Container	\$/unit		103.28
40-ft Empty Container	\$/unit		23.69
40-ft Filled Container	\$/unit		220.85
Livestock (Cattle)	\$/head		1.55
Livestock (Goats & Sheep)	\$/head		0.52
General Cargo Goods	\$/tonne or m3 (greater of)		4.43
Hazardous Cargo	\$/tonne		5.53
Berthage Charges (\$/Hour)			
Vessel Size (LOA)			
Less than 30 mt	\$/hr		45.66
30-60 mt	\$/hr		91.39
60-100 mt	\$/hr		121.87
100-150 mt	\$/hr		228.50
150-200 mt	\$/hr		325.06
200-250 mt	\$/hr		406.33
250-300 mt	\$/hr		486.90
Salt - 40% of above charges			
Port Improvement Rate (PIR)			
Minimum Charge (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel movement		330.00
10825 - 19999 (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel movement		700.00
20000 - 39999 (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel movement		1,300.00
40000 - 59999 (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel movement		2,700.00
60000 - 79999 (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel movement		3,250.00
Greater than 80000 (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel movement		5,100.00

PRICING (FEES AND CHARGES) - PORT HEDLAND EFFECTIVE 1 JULY 2019			
continued...		2019/20 CHARGES \$	
Storage Charges			
Container Storage			
Container Storage 1 - 3 Days	per sqm	Free	-
Container Storage 20-ft > 3 days	per week		20.59
Container Storage 40-ft > 3 days	per week		41.18
General Cargo Storage			
General Cargo Storage 1 - 3 days	per sqm	Free	-
General Cargo Storage 4 - 10 days	per sqm		0.36
General Cargo Storage > 10 days	per sqm		0.71
Bulk Cargo Storage			
Bulk Cargo Storage 1 - 7 days	per sqm	Free	-
Bulk Cargo Storage 8 - 14 days	per sqm		0.36
Bulk Cargo Storage > 14 days	per sqm		0.71
Miscellaneous Charges			
ES Shiploader Hire	\$/tonne		3.34
Security Charge	\$/GRT		0.05
Wharf Fresh Water ¹	\$/KL/tonne		3.90
MSIC Card Processing Fee - 2 Years	\$		227.27
MSIC Card Processing Fee - 4 Years	\$		454.55
Replacement Card (lost, stolen or damaged)	\$		59.09

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PRICING (FEES AND CHARGES) - PORT HEDLAND EFFECTIVE 1 JULY 2020

2020/21
CHARGES
\$

Pilotage Charges

ES 10,825 - 20000 GRT (\$/GRT)	\$/GRT		0.6099
ES Minimum Charge (up to 10,824)	\$/vessel		6,603.60
ES 20000 - 39999 (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		13,041.04
ES 40000 - 59999 (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		16,610.48
ES 60000 - 79999 (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		18,043.74
ES Greater than 80000 (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		18,902.15

Interport Movements

Less than 1000 GRT (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		1,434.74
More than 1000 GRT (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		2,008.10
Cancellations	\$		538.53
Pilotage Exemption Certificate fee	\$		600.00
Local Knowledge Certificate fee	\$		40.91

Tonnage Charge

Minimum charge (\$/Vessel)	\$/vessel		842.06
Tonnage (\$/GRT)	\$/GRT		0.3196
Cape Size Vessel Surcharge	\$/GRT		0.2049

Wharfage Charges - Bulk Minerals

Utah Point			
Bulk Minerals (0 - 300,000 t)	\$/tonne		1.78
Bulk Minerals (Over 300,000 t)	\$/tonne		1.48
East Side Berths			
Bulk Minerals (First 100,000 t)	\$/tonne		2.47
Bulk Minerals (100,001 - 300,000 t)	\$/tonne		2.47
Bulk Minerals (Over 300,000 t)	\$/tonne		2.21
Mineral Concentrate (Container Emptied)	\$/tonne		2.21

Wharfage Charges - Non Bulk Minerals

Bulk Liquids (chemicals, fuel, bitumen)	\$/tonne		5.59
20-ft Empty Container	\$/unit		12.20
20-ft Filled Container	\$/unit		106.38
40-ft Empty Container	\$/unit		24.41
40-ft Filled Container	\$/unit		227.47
Livestock (Cattle)	\$/head		1.60
Livestock (Goats & Sheep)	\$/head		0.53
General Cargo Goods	\$/tonne or m3 (greater of)		4.56
Hazardous Cargo	\$/tonne		5.69

Berthage Charges (\$/Hour)

Vessel Size (LOA)			
Less than 30 mt	\$/hr		47.03
30-60 mt	\$/hr		94.13
60-100 mt	\$/hr		125.53
100-150 mt	\$/hr		235.35
150-200 mt	\$/hr		334.81
200-250 mt	\$/hr		418.52
250-300 mt	\$/hr		501.51
Salt - 40% of above charges			

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2020/21
CHARGES
\$

Sustaining Infrastructure Due (SID)

Sustaining Infrastructure Due (\$/GRT)	\$/GRT		0.046
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Storage Charges

Container Storage			
Container Storage 1 - 3 Days	per sqm	Free	-
Container Storage 20-ft > 3 days	per week		21.21
Container Storage 40-ft > 3 days	per week		42.41
General Cargo Storage			
General Cargo Storage 1 - 3 days	per sqm	Free	-
General Cargo Storage 4 - 10 days	per sqm		0.37
General Cargo Storage > 10 days	per sqm		0.73
Bulk Cargo Storage			
Bulk Cargo Storage 1 - 7 days	per sqm	Free	-
Bulk Cargo Storage 8 - 14 days	per sqm		0.37
Bulk Cargo Storage > 14 days	per sqm		0.73

Miscellaneous Charges

ES Shiploader Hire	\$/tonne		3.44
Security Charge	\$/GRT		0.05
Wharf Fresh Water ¹	\$/KL/tonne		3.90
MSIC Card Processing Fee - 2 Years	\$		227.27
MSIC Card Processing Fee - 4 Years	\$		454.55
Replacement Card (lost, stolen or damaged)	\$		59.09

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Pilotage Charges¹		
GRT: 10,825 - 20,000 GRT	\$/GRT	0.6252
Minimum Charge (up to 10,824)	\$/vessel	6,768.69
GRT: 20,000 - 39,999	\$/vessel	13,367.07
GRT: 40,000 - 59,999	\$/vessel	17,025.74
GRT: 60,000 - 79,999	\$/vessel	18,494.83
GRT: Greater than 80000	\$/vessel	19,374.71
Interport Movements		
Less than 1,000 GRT	\$/vessel	1,470.61
More than 1,000 GRT	\$/vessel	2,058.31
Cancellation/Attendance Fee	\$/vessel	551.99
Pilotage Exemption Certificate Fee	\$	600.00
Local Knowledge Certificate	\$	40.91
Tonnage Charge		
Minimum Charge	\$/vessel	1,052.57
Tonnage ⁷	\$/GRT	0.4000
Cape Size Vessel Surcharge >60,000 GRT Surcharge ²	\$/GRT	0.2561
Wharfage Charges - Bulk³		
East Side Berths		
Bulk Minerals (0 - 100,000 t)	\$/tonne	2.53
Bulk Minerals (100,000 - 300,000 t)	\$/tonne	2.53
Bulk Minerals (Over 300,000 t)	\$/tonne	2.27
Copper Concentrate (Container emptied)	\$/tonne	2.27
Bulk Liquids (acid, oil, bitumen)	\$/tonne	5.73
Utah Point		
Bulk Minerals (0 - 300,000 t)	\$/tonne	1.82
Bulk Minerals (Over 300,000 t)	\$/tonne	1.52
Wharfage Charges - Non Bulk³		
20-foot Empty Container	\$/unit	9.03
20-foot Filled Container	\$/unit	95.46
40-foot Empty Container	\$/unit	18.06
40-foot Filled Container	\$/unit	190.92
Livestock (Cattle)	\$/head	1.64
Livestock (Goats & Sheep)	\$/head	0.55
General Cargo Goods	\$/tonne or m3 (greater of)	4.68
Hazardous Cargo	\$/tonne	5.83
Berthage Charges		
Vessel Size (LOA)		
Less than 30 meters	\$/hour	48.21
30-60 meters	\$/hour	96.48
60-100 meters	\$/hour	128.66
100-150 meters	\$/hour	241.24
150-200 meters	\$/hour	343.18
200-250 meters	\$/hour	428.98
Greater than 250 meters	\$/hour	514.05
Salt - 40% of the above charges		

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PORT OF PORT HEDLAND		
All Prices Exclude GST		\$
Sustaining Infrastructure Due (SID)		
Sustaining Infrastructure Due (\$/GRT)	\$/GRT	0.046
Port Charge Port Hedland Voluntary Buy-Back Scheme (PHVBS)⁴		
Minimum Charge up to 10,824 (\$/vessel)	\$/iron-ore vessel movement	No Charge
GRT: 10,825 - 20,000 GRT (\$/vessel)	\$/iron-ore vessel movement	No Charge
GRT: 20,000 - 39,999 (\$/vessel)	\$/iron-ore vessel movement	No Charge
GRT: 40,000 - 59,999 (\$/vessel)	\$/iron-ore vessel movement	1,250
GRT: 60,000 - 79,999 (\$/vessel)	\$/iron-ore vessel movement	2,550
GRT: Greater than 80000 (\$/vessel)	\$/iron-ore vessel movement	6,725
Storage Charges		
Container Storage		
Container Storage 1 - 3 Days		No Charge
Container Storage 20-foot > 3 days	\$/week	21.74
Container Storage 40-foot > 3 days	\$/week	43.47
General Cargo Storage		
General Cargo Storage 1 - 3 days		No Charge
General Cargo Storage 4 - 10 days	\$/m ² /day	0.38
General Cargo Storage > 10 days	\$/m ² /day	0.75
Bulk Cargo Storage		
Bulk Cargo Storage 1 - 7 days		No Charge
Bulk Cargo Storage 8 - 14 days	\$/m ² /day	0.38
Bulk Cargo Storage > 14 days	\$/m ² /day	0.75
Miscellaneous Charges		
East Side Ship Loader Hire	\$/tonne	3.52
Security Charge	\$/GRT	0.05
Wharf Fresh Water ⁵	\$/tonne	3.90
Oil Spill Equipment For Lease ⁶		On Request
Maritime Security Identification Card (MSIC) Charges		
MSIC Card - 2 Years	\$	227.27
MSIC Card - 4 Years	\$	454.55
Replacement Card (lost, stolen or damaged)	\$	59.09

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² If a vessel's GRT is greater than 60,000, the Cape Size Vessel Surcharge of \$0.2561 per GRT will be applied to the total GRT of the vessel, in addition to the Tonnage fee of \$0.40 per GRT.

³ Wharfage will be charged in respect of cargo which passes on, over, under, through, to or from any berth, wharf, pier, bank, shore, structure or other place within the Port of Port Hedland (the Port), or between vessels within the Port, or over the rail of a vessel, to or from shore, barge, lighter, water, structure or other place within the Port when moored at a berth, wharf, pier, bank, shore, structure or other place within the Port.

⁴ The PHVBS Port Charge will be levied from 1 March 2021 on vessels entering and exiting the inner harbour for the purposes of exporting iron ore. The rates will be levied per vessel movement, once for an inbound movement, and once for an outbound movement. Vessel movements made within the harbour will not attract a PHVBS Port Charge.

⁵ Fresh water is escalated in line with the escalation applied by the Water Corporation

⁶ A variety of oil spill equipment is available to hire in the event an oil spill occurs. All oil response activities are conducted in accordance with AMSA's National Plan which states "the polluter pays". For further details and to report any oil spills kindly contact Port Hedland Port Control on VHF Channel 16, VHF Channel 12 or by telephone +61 8 9173 0030.

⁷ A discount of 50% to tonnage fees will apply to bulk carriers entering the Port of Port Hedland that use a PPA licensed Service Provider to bunker LNG.
Vessels that take on LNG bunkers using a PPA licensed LNG Bunkering Service Provider for more than one port call shall receive a 50% discount to tonnage fees applicable at the return port call.
The discount will be reflected in the tonnage fees invoice for the return port call.