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## TRIUMPH v 1820

Dear Customer,

Please find following important update on this vessel:

m.v. "Triumph" voyage 1820 commenced discharge in Brisbane on Wednesday October 31<sup>st</sup>.

During routine inspections by Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (DAWR) personnel, a number of Brown Marmorated (BMSB) and Yellow Spotted Stinkbugs (YSSB) were found resulting in the requirement for the vessel to undergo fogging before further inspections could take place. Subsequent inspections have resulted in detection of more stinkbugs spread throughout the vessel.

As a result, DAWR has ordered the vessel to the outer anchorage and Armacup is engaging with DAWR to work through various option to ensure vessel can continue to discharge its cargoes in a satisfactory manner.

BMSB and YSSB are native to China, Korea and Japan and can cause significant damage to important industries within Australia and New Zealand. Stinkbugs enter vessels on cargoes and hence vessels are contaminated by cargoes which are not compliant with the Import regulations of Australia and New Zealand.

The requirement to comply with the Import regulations of both Australia and New Zealand sits with the importer of cargo. As extra pre cautions, Armacup has already insisted on all exporters of used cargoes from Japan to Heat Treat their cargoes even though DAWR is not requiring any extra Bio Security Measures in Japan prior to loading.

Furthermore, Armacup is also voluntarily fogging all its vessels whilst at sea as further protection for the cargoes. This has proven to be insufficient and therefore more stringent measures are required going forward, either voluntarily by cargo interest or through Australian/New Zealand government directives.

We will provide further information once available

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