

URUGUAYAN PORT ADMINISTRATION ENVIRONMENTAL PRINCIPLES

The Uruguayan Port Administration, as a main factor for the achievement of an adequate port sustainable development, and therefore strengthening its support of Uruguayan commercial activities, commits itself to:

- 1- Respect environmental national legislation, and also international agreements, directions and resolutions ratified by the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, aiming as a whole to the protection of port environment
- 2- Act according to the Constitution, the Law and other regulations related to sustainable development ethics.
- 3- Adopt voluntary measures to always consider if possible and suitable, the execution of internal environmental rules compatibles with Law.
- 4- Supervise through his general managing, the environmental policies and measures according as a whole with the guidelines designed by the A.N.P. Board.
- 5- Establish an Environmental Managing System (EMS) to introduce environmental protection as a part of commercial and managing practices. This Environmental Managing System will have among its purposes:

To promote environmental ethic among all those interested in port activity, associated entities or those related to them, and to stimulate the importance of individual responsibility, particularly regarding the EMS execution.

To promote inter- institutional communication with both private and public sectors of port community , including consults with local community and authorities and competent organizations in the different areas involving the environmental topic.

Establish response plans to face any possible incident in port zones minimizing environmental impact in river, sea or land, that may cause serious damage to sea and coastal ecosystem, and to environment in general.

Execute exams and regular revisions of Environmental Policies and of the Environmental Managing System, taking into account the results of the most recent researches concerning environment and commerce dynamics.

To give the staff all support needed to succeed in the generation of positive actions in environmental issues, emphasizing the fact that the compliance with environmental quality and its preservation is everyone's responsibility in A.N.P.

To incorporate the environmental vision to all plans, programs, activities and operations of this company, at all stages.

To favour an adequate integration between ports and the cities they are in.

Add procedures that guaranties the obedience of current national and municipal environmental regulations.

Carry out the actions needed to implement the full observance of environmental guidelines, such as MERCOSUR, OMI (MARPOL 73/78) ISO regulations and WTO directives.

To facilitate whenever possible the suitable resources to support research on environmental issues related with port activities.

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