## **Customs & Excise**

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Dear Customs client

## **Extension of ePenalty Pilot**

SARS undertook a pilot of the ePenalty system between 1 September and 30 November 2021, in relation to the non-submission of advance cargo loading and arrival notices.

Following engagements with affected stakeholders, SARS consented to requests from industry to extend pilot of the system to 31 March 2022.

As some reporters are currently still in the process of making systems and operational changes to ensure full reporting compliance, industry has requested SARS to extend the pilot once again.

Taking this into consideration, SARS will extend the pilot by another month until **30 April 2022.** The imposition of monetary penalties for the non-submission of cargo reports will now commence from **1 May 2022**.

To ensure that correspondence regarding ePenalty is correctly routed and timeously received, reporters are requested to engage with the Durban (sea modality) and ORTIA (air modality) offices, respectively, to confirm their contact details.

For more information about Reporting of Conveyances and Goods (RCG), please click here: <a href="https://www.sars.gov.za/customs-and-excise/about-customs/reporting-of-conveyances-and-goods/">https://www.sars.gov.za/customs-and-excise/about-customs/reporting-of-conveyances-and-goods/</a>

Sincerely,

**BEYERS THERON** 

DIRECTOR: CUSTOMS BORDER OPERATIONS, PORTS OF ENTRY

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