

Victorian Notice to Mariners

The following Notice to Mariners is published for general information

Australia – Victoria No. 009 (T) - 2023 PORT OF MELBOURNE HOBSONS BAY RELEASE OF VEGETABLE-BASED OIL

Date: 06 January 2023

Refers: N/A.

Details: Mariners are advised that an ongoing release of vegetable-based oil is occurring in the vicinity of Elwood Beach and St Kilda Marina. A light sheen of oil has spread northwest across Hobsons Bay affecting Port Melbourne Channel and Williamstown Channel.

Advice received is that the product poses no danger to shipping passing through the area and the product will not stick to hulls.

Mariners are however advised to navigate with additional caution in the vicinity of Hobsons Bay.

For more information, contact Melbourne VTS on 9644 9700.

Charts & AUS 143, AUS 155, ENC AU5MEL01 Publications affected

Further notice: Further notice will be issued.

Warwick Laing Harbour Master

This notice is a direction of the Harbour Master pursuant to section 232 of the *Marine Safety Act 2010* (Vic) The requirements of section 232(2) have been taken into account.