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No. 084(T)-2011

PORT OF BARWON HEADS

BARWON RIVER ENTRANCE, BARWON HEADS

LEAD LIGHT FAILED and GENERAL BACKGROUND LIGHT

**Date:** With immediate effect.

**Details:** Mariners are advised that the aid to navigation in the mouth of the Barwon River which is the front lit mark of the main entry lead for the channel from Bass Strait is not in operation;

*This is the flashing white light in position 38° 17' 05.25" South and 144° 29' 54.28" East, that had a flash sequence Fl. 3s 3m 1M .*

An upgraded lead light is being investigated for prompt installation at this position.

At this position, which is also a starboard lateral mark for the navigable river channel, there is a green flashing light with flash sequence Fl 4 (.5s)

***Mariners are advised to exercise caution when navigating the river entry.***

Further, mariners are advised of significant change to the background lighting of the river channel associated with the Barwon River Bridges.

Particularly mariners should be aware of the change of light northward that is upstream of the Bridges. The increase background light impacts on the visibility of the lateral mark buoys which identify the transit lane through the gazetted exclusion zone around the bridges.

***Mariners are advised to exercise caution when navigating the river channel southward near and through the bridges.***

Further information can be obtained by contacting the Port of Barwon Heads on: (03) 5254 1118 during usual office hours.

**Charts & Publications Affected:**

AUS 143, Port Phillip, Aus 144 Approaches to Port Phillip  
Australian Pilot Volume II (NP 14) Page 68

**Other Notices:**

No. 53/06 issued 31/03/06, Port of Barwon Heads, River Entrance Sand Movements - Possible Reduction in Depth

No. 140(T), 2007, issued 02/11/07, Isolated hazard, wreckage awash at low tide, east of Barwon River entrance.

No. 001(T)-11, issued 04/01/11, VRCA, Notices in Force

No. 075(T)-11, issued 25/05/2011, Exclusion zone – Barges on River – until 31<sup>st</sup> July

**Further Notice:** A further notice will be issued.

This Notice to Mariners is issued by the Barwon Coast Committee of Management Inc. delegated Local Port Manager for the Port of Barwon Heads.

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