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To Our Valued Supply Chain Partners,

Austal Australia's COVID-19 Response

Austal would like to provide our valued supply chain partners with assurance that our Australian operations are continuing to provide full services to our customers. All be it with some additional challenges caused by the COVID 19 pandemic.

At this time, Austal's Australian shipyards and service centres remain open, and with your support we continue to work on our vessel construction and sustainment projects for the Commonwealth Department of Defence, Australian Border Force, and commercial customers. Our products and services provide essential functions for national border protection and enforcement, and for essential movement of goods and people.

Our current understanding is that the Australian Defence Force and Australian Border Force are essential services. Further, our products are used internationally as critical infrastructure.

Your business, part of our proven supply chain, is essential to Austal meeting its obligations and we ask that you please continue to support Austal in accordance with contractual requirements, to the best of your ability. We cannot do our job without you and we consider your support to be an essential service.

Austal is providing further information via our website: <https://www.austal.com/news/austal-covid19-statement-support>, including information from Export Finance Australia.

We will pass on further information as it comes to hand, however, in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me or the Supply Chain team directly if you require any advice or assistance at this challenging time.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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