

25<sup>th</sup> March 2020**COVID-19 LOCK DOWN**

Following President Ramaphosa's announcement of a national lock-down on the evening of the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March 2020, we wish to advise that Bidvest SADC is in the process on making contingency arrangements to manage only essential container and cargo movements during this time within the limitations imposed by the emergency regulations, i.e. food & medical equipment/cargo.

With reference to the attached Transnet Port Terminals (TPT) communication received, we will continue to operate to support our customers and the terminals on a reduced staffing basis. This primarily relates specifically to our Full Container and Transport operations.

Regretfully, all import and export cargo handling operations of a non-essential nature and Empty Container operations will cease for the duration of the lockdown.

Any further announcements as a result of new Government instructions that may impact our ability to render services will be communicated to customers.

Customers who are expecting container shipments to arrive during the lock-down are requested to urgently advise the relevant Bidvest SADC regional office of their storage requirements, such will be stored until normal business resumes. Bidvest SADC will endeavor to fulfil such instructions within the ambit of the law, infrastructure capacity and availability of staff.

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Yours faithfully,



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