

ASSOCIATION OF MALAYSIAN HAULIERS

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Our Ref. : AMH/PPSB/PROTEST/CHARGES/VBS/AZU220926

Date : 26th September 2022

To : Dato' Sasedharan Vasudevan

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Dear Dato',

RE: ASSOCIATION OF MALAYSIAN HAULIER (AMH) DISAGREEMENT TOWARDS PENANG PORT SDN BHD (PPSB) IMPLEMENTATION OF VEHICLE BOOKING SYSTEM CHARGES TO THE HAULIERS

With reference to the subject matter above we would like to state our strong disagreement to the VBS charge directed to the hauliers. AMH stand has always been to support any system or processes to improve and stimulate the industry here in the northern region and will support PPSB is any future initiatives.

However, after meetings and discussion between both parties during the last month, the email dated on the 23rd of September 2022 by PPSB has stated that the VBS charge will remain base on the first letter issued by PPSB on 1st of September 2022 which state the commencement of charges will be on the 1st of October 2022. Please note, an association representing multiple members, AMH has never agreed to any form of charges to the VBS without the consent of its members.

We surmise that this charge if implemented will cause our members additional administration cost, effect the daily planning to our customers base on the payment schedule, cause congestion to certain hours of the day, dispute on time arrival and other operations issue. This itself is not an improvement but additional stress on our already over worked operations.

We take note this charge cannot be disputed if it has been gazetted by law, therefore the haulier will disburse the charge back to the industry. AMH would like to inform that the industry, already in a weak state should not be burden with additional charges when in general it is still on the road to recovery. The timing of this comes at the worse time possible to every player in the industry.

Our members opinion that the implementation of the charge by PPSB was done in a rush and short notice from 1st September 2022 to 1st October 2022 (30 days) for the haulier to react and have no choice but to accept the VBS charge.

AMH members has one voice decided to disagree with this charge.

Thank you.

"TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER"

'HAULAGE PROGRESSED; NATION DEVELOPED'

Yours sincerely,

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