

# AUGUSTA - NEW STS BASE



## Benefits of having an STS operation inside Augusta Harbour

1. Weather protected area where favourable conditions can be almost guaranteed all year round leading to savings on demurrage and standby costs.
2. Decrease in costs for ancillary support craft - tugboats, bunker and provision supply, conveyance, agency services due to shorter distances covered.
3. Quicker response time in any kind of situation - most important in emergencies.
4. Ease of communication with vessel, agent and surveyors in real time - mobile telephony coverage instead of costly satellite calls or waiting for a response to emails.
5. Documentation can be prepared ashore by the agent as per instructions received from Traders and delivered to vessel in a relatively short time. Vessel can sail off with a full set of signed documents rather than opting for EDP.
6. Operational cargo transfer risks can be reduced by drawing 1<sup>st</sup> foot samples whenever required and analysed in nearby laboratories incurring very short waiting time.
7. Cargo samples will arrive in the laboratory quicker and therefore results of any analysis requirements on ship's composite samples can be available sooner resulting in less waiting time at discharge port if there is a short sea voyage involved.
8. More reliable ship's figures in respect of quantity where vessel is more stable and not subject to rolling and pitching in open seas.

Thank you for your attention