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## **Media Release**

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### **TOWAGE AND PORT OPERATORS GIVE \$20,000 TO EYRE PENINSULA BUSHFIRE VICTIMS**

A \$20,000 donation to assist victims of the recent bushfires on South Australia's Eyre Peninsula, has been made by two of the key industry groups servicing the region.

South Australia's largest provider of towage and agency services, Adsteam Marine Limited, and the State's major port operator, Flinders Ports, today presented a cheque for a total of \$20,000 to Salvation Army officials in Port Lincoln.

Both companies provide their respective services at Port Lincoln, particularly for the region's considerable grain exports.

Adsteam Marine is a part owner of Flinders Ports and each company contributed \$10,000 towards today's handover.

Mr John Moller, Managing Director of Adsteam Marine, said, "The communities of Eyre Peninsula are the reason we operate in Port Lincoln and have for many, many years.

"We have formed close relationships, not just with individuals but with several generations of their families, friends and business colleagues throughout the region.

"While we have every confidence that strong community spirit will ultimately prevail in the rebuilding of lives and properties, the families and communities of the Eyre Peninsula now need help.

“Adsteam Marine is pleased to contribute to that effort.”

Flinders Ports’ Chief Executive Officer, Mr Vincent Tremaine, said the export grain industry had been shocked by the despair suffered by farming families and the Peninsula’s small but close-knit grain townships and settlements.

“The tragedy of the fires again put into perspective the value of relationships,” he said.

“As Flinders Ports is at the pointy end of so much work effort that goes on within the Peninsula to build a grain export sector, we have a profound respect for the relationships these communities have built up, not just with us, but with those around them.

“It was very sad to see so many families put under the emotional and physical strains caused by the fires and their own personal losses.

“It is important, however, that every encouragement be given to these people and communities to rebuild their lives within their own pace. Flinders Ports is just proud to be part of that rebuilding progress.”

Today’s donation was presented to the Salvation Army’s Eyre Peninsula Bushfire Appeal at a ceremony at Diesel Marine Services in Port Lincoln, where an Adsteam Marine tug is being slipped.

On hand to receive and acknowledge the donation were the Salvation Army’s Captain Scott Norman and Major Laurie Venebles.

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