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NEW CHAIRMAN FOR DARWIN PORT CORPORATION

The Northern Territory Government has appointed David Looker to chair the advisory board of the Darwin Port Corporation.

Infrastructure and Transport Minister Dr Chris Burns said Mr Looker would bring a wealth of national and international experience to the role.

“David Looker was an outstanding candidate for the position of chairman,” Dr Burns said.

“He has detailed knowledge of ports and commercial shipping in the Asia-Pacific region, and has expertise in container and bulk cargoes.

“Mr Looker is joining a great team, and will bring a new dimension to the development of the Port of Darwin as Australia’s northern gateway.”

Mr Looker, 57, joins Kerry Dwyer, Bruce Fadelli, Linda Mackenzie and DPC chief executive Barry Berwick on the advisory board. He replaces Barry Coulter as chairman. Mr Coulter was the inaugural chairman, having been appointed in 1999.

The role of the advisory board is to advise the DPC on its activities and the manner in which it carries them out with a trade development focus.

Mr Looker is a director of Pacific Basin Shipping (Australia) Pty. Ltd. He recently set up the Australian operations of Pacific Basin Shipping, a Hong Kong-listed operator of bulk carriers with a fleet of more than 50 ships.

Mr Looker has worked previously for Jardine Matheson & Co. in Hong Kong and Japan, the Australian National Line in Sydney, Tokyo, Singapore and London, the Wilhelmsen Group in Melbourne and Sydney, and Wallenius Wilhelmsen in the United States.

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