

## CEPSA'S POSITION AND STRATEGY ON THE PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT

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## **POSITION**

Cepsa recognises the importance of the marine environment, as an ecosystem with an immense ecological and natural resources richness. Among its activities, Cepsa includes the products' loading and unloading operations in the Refineries' terminals and Maritime Installations, as well as the supply manoeuvres of fuels in seaports and anchorages.

Given this link with the marine environment, Cepsa assumes the responsibility of its protection through pollution prevention, early detection and disposing of the best control and cleaning techniques of the accidentals spills.

## **STRATEGY**

Being conscious of the importance of protecting the marine environment, Cepsa not only fulfils the applicable legal requirements, but also promotes any action that ensures, in the following order of priority:

 The prevention of any hazardous and noxious substance accidental spill, through the correct maintenance of its installations, the use of the best available techniques in the operations that can entail a risk for the marine environment and the correct formation of the personnel involved in them.

- The **early detection** of any spill in the installations or supply points, through the awareness and vigilance of the personnel involved, the alarm systems and the development of new early detection systems of harmful substances for the marine environment.
- Quick spill containment, through the use of the correct resources in each situation, in a
  minimum response time and following the procedures stablished by the company. The
  containment strategy is always stablished maintaining as a priority the most sensible zones
  protection. Likewise, the personnel will be formed and trained correctly for an efficient
  actuation.
- **Cleaning and restauration** of the affected zones, once the spill is controlled, with the aim of bringing the affected zones back to their initial state.

The research and development is a crucial thought for Cepsa in order to prevent and control marine pollution. Thus, Cepsa leads innovative projects with the collaboration of the best companies in their sectors, investigation centres and universities, that will allow to obtain new technologies and prevention, detection and early containment systems.