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## **NEW BLASTING TECHNOLOGY FOR EFFICIENT HULL STRIPPING**

A recently developed blasting medium is finding ready acceptance by ship repairers.

Precious Slag Ball (PS Ball) is a by-product of steel manufacturing, produced by a patented process known as Slag Atomizing Technology.

PS Ball blasting medium is currently being used in shipyards for repair work and has also been used in other applications as diverse as reinforcement of concrete mixes, compaction base, road pavement and in balance weights and anchoring.

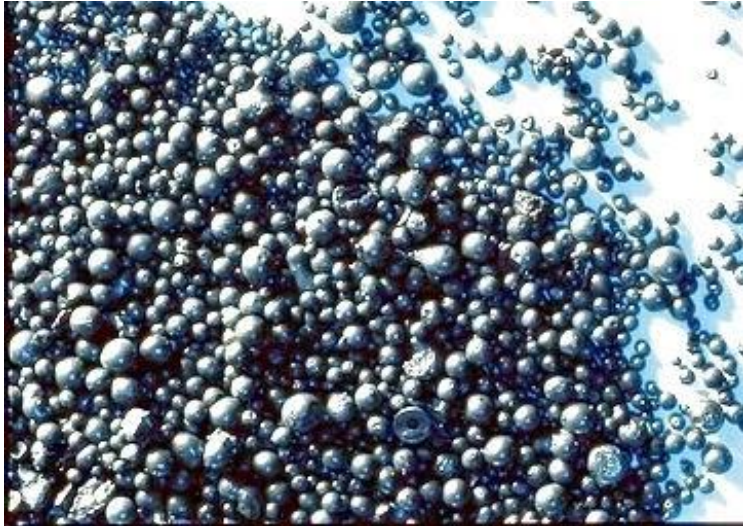
PS Ball's Australian supplier, Sodablast Australia, said PS Balls can be used as an economical replacement for black beauty, garnet, coal and copper slag.

"It is up to 50 percent less cost than garnet, subject to the volume purchased," said Sodablast Australia's Kevin Berridge.

"PS Ball is an environmentally friendly material. The manufacture of PS Balls uses no virgin resources, less water than production of other media and turns harmful chemicals inherent in slag into an inert compound."

"This medium generates very little dust, can be re-used several times (up to nine times has been recorded, although the recommended number is three) and provides a more comfortable working environment for the operator, thereby reducing time taken to do the job," Berridge said.

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*PS Ball (enlarged view) – Environmentally friendly blasting media for heavy duty blasting.*



*Slag Atomizing Technology is a new process that makes PS Ball blasting media.*

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## About Sodablast

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