



Dear Client

Asia-Europe Ocean Space "Pandemonium"

The start of 2010 has showed continued high containers volumes for ocean services, which coupled with the reduced number of vessels/capacity in operation by the global shipping lines has resulted in severe space issues.

With the Chinese New Year fast approaching, this situation is expected to worsen. Please see below article extracts from the IFW (International Freight Weekly) 29/1/10:-

"Shippers and forwarders are still struggling to get cargo out of China before factories shut down for Chinese New Year, according to one industry report.

The Transport Trackers report said that there had been a rising number of complaints from Shanghai and China about getting cargo out before the New Year holiday, with conditions reaching "pandemonium" because carriers had removed so much capacity.

"Getting cargo out of Shanghai has been hell and cargo owners have been forced to put cargo out at whatever rate is being asked," the report said.

One importer had been forced to cancel its original shipment and rebook on a co-loader at higher rates."

RIF Worldwide would like to take this opportunity to remind clients that whilst our main aim is always to continually find ways to reduce supply chain costs, current market conditions mean that our focus has to be ensuring the timely export of shipments from origin ports. With many forwarders experiencing delays of 1-2 weeks, we are mindful of the issues created for our clients by delays of this nature and will continue with our group decisions that mean our clients experience very few delays and enjoy extremely competitive rate levels.

Asia-Europe 'Emergency Peak Season Surcharge(WB ESS) Emergency Space Surcharge

Effective 1st February 2010 the Global Shipping Lines have each confirmed the implementation of additional surcharges in the region of USD 200.00 to USD 250.00 per TEU.

Copies available on request. These surcharges have been implemented until further notice, therefore RIF Worldwide LTD has no option but to pass these surcharges on at cost only.

Far East Airfreight Fuel Surcharge

Effective from 2nd February 2010 most airlines have imposed an Air Fuel Surcharge increased.

Copies available on request. We would expect this to stable over the coming weeks.

Origin: Asia				
Shipping Line	BAF 20ft	BAF 40ft/HQ	CAF	THC Per Container
APL UK	Usd 521.00	Usd 1042.00	11.70%	GBP 110.00
CMA CGM	Usd 482.00	Usd 964.00	12.68%	GBP 110.00
Cosco (UK) Ltd	Usd 500.00	Usd 1000.00	15.24%	GBP 110.00
China Shipping	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	GBP 115.00
Evergreen	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	GBP 110.00
Hanjin Shipping	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	GBP 110.00
Hapag Lloyd	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	GBP 120.00
Hyundai Merchant Marine	Usd 539.00	Usd 1078.00	13.70%	GBP 106.00
K Line (Europe) Limited	Usd 527.00	Usd 1054.00	15.30%	GBP 110.00
Maersk Line	Usd 530.00	Usd 1060.00	12.37%	GBP 120.00
MOL Europe	Usd 560.00	Usd 1120.00	18.29%	GBP 130.00
MSC / Medite	Usd 505.00	Usd 1010.00	Ad Hoc	GBP 110.00
Norasia / CSAV	Usd 533.00	Usd 1066.00	Ad Hoc	GBP 105.00
OOCL (UK) Limited	Usd 548.00	Usd 1096.00	Usd 46.00	GBP 105.00
Safmarine	Usd 530.00	Usd 1060.00	12.37%	GBP 120.00
Yang Ming	Usd 550.00	Usd 1100.00	Ad Hoc	GBP 110.00

Origin: Indian Sub				
Shipping Line	BAF 20ft	BAF 40ft/HQ	CAF	THC Per Container
CMA CGM	Usd 358.00	Usd 716.00	12.68%	GBP 110.00
APL UK	Usd 341.00	Usd 682.00	11.70%	GBP 110.00
Evergreen	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	GBP 110.00
Hanjin Shipping	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	Ad Hoc	GBP 110.00
K Line (Europe) Limited	Usd 322.00	Usd 644.00	12.32%	GBP 110.00
Norasia / CSAV	Usd 389.00	Usd 778.00	Ad Hoc	GBP 105.00
MSC / Medite	Usd 350.00	Usd 700.00	Ad Hoc	GBP 110.00
Safmarine	Usd 320.00	Usd 640.00	11.66%	GBP 120.00
SCI / Escombe & Lambert	Usd 318.00	Usd 636.00	14.60%	GBP 96.00
Hyundai Merchant Marine	Usd 539.00	Usd 1078.00	13.70%	GBP 106.00
Cosco (UK) Ltd	Usd 300.00	Usd 600.00	15.24%	GBP 110.00
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