

## Asia to NZ - Peak Season Surcharge

In addition to Maersk Lines recent Asian GRI they have now announced a Peak Season Surcharge (PSS) of US 150 per TEU effective 1 September 2008.

This PSS will be applicable for all customers shipping from the following countries to New Zealand:

Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam, Cambodia, Brunei, Myanmar, The Philippines, Hong Kong, Taiwan, China, Japan and Korea.

They advise that the PSS is a reflection of the significant extra costs related to operating during the peak period and that when traffic has returned to sustainable levels on affected trades the requirement for such a surcharge will be reviewed.

MITSUI, TASMAN ORIENT, NYK, PIL and MISC advised of a PSS of US 250 per TEU. MITSUI subsequently has revised their increase to US 150 per TEU (same as Maersk) and the other shipping lines are expected to follow. We shall keep you advised.

## BAF Increases

The costs just keep going up and up. Hopefully the reduced oil prices kick in soon.

Examples of such

- Cosco** Asia increase to USD 700 per TEU
- Maersk** Europe increase to EUR 551 per TEU
- Asia increase to USD 850 per TEU

## USA FCL

The current EFAF of US 784 per TEU is increasing from sailings effective 15th September to US 1066 per TEU.

## USA LCL

The current BAF of US 29 per w/m is increasing by US 11 per w/m effective cut-offs 8th September at USA depots. The new BAF level will be US\$ 40 per w/m.

## Increase in Auckland Cartage Costs

We wish to advise effective 1<sup>st</sup> September cartage rates are again on the increase due to the increase on the Road User charges (RUC's) that were applied by the Government on 1 July. You will well remember the truckers protest on 4 July

We have also had the Vehicle Booking System (VBS) charges finalized at a cost of \$2.50 per container. This cost will be included in our cartage rates.

Net result effective 1 September rates will increase by

- \$7.50 per container
- \$0.50 per w/m for LCL cargo

## Increase in US Airfreight Costs

Airfreight costs ex the USA have increased significantly and we have to review costs Effective from 15 August rates will increase by the following

Airfreight Minimum will now be USD 65 and the kg rate will increase by USD 0.50 per kg chargeable.

Origin Airfreight Inland freight will now attract a base rate of USD 45 per shipment.

*Thank you for your continued support*

## Gateway Cargo Systems

