

September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## Port Congestion Surcharge Advisory

Dear Valued Customer,

We wish to inform you of potential disruptions due to imminent labor unrest affecting US East Coast and US Gulf Coast Ports. The current Master Contract between the United States Maritime Alliance (USMX) and the International Longshoremen's Association (ILA) is set to expire on September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. As of now, no new agreement has been reached, and the ILA has threatened to strike effective October 1<sup>st</sup> if a resolution has not been agreed.

As a consequence, should the strike be confirmed, this will trigger the Port Congestion Surcharge as detailed within the below OOCL tariff filing for all cargoes from Europe to/via US East Coast & US Gulf Coast as of October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the quantum indicated:

**USD 800 per 20' container**  
**USD 1000 per 40' container (DV or HQ)**  
**USD 1265 per 45HQ container**

The surcharge will apply to dry, refrigerated and project cargo and is payable on a 'Collect Basis'

Customers should expect operation disruptions to:

- Terminal Services
- Terminals may be inaccessible, and vessel schedules could be impacted
- Shipment pick-ups and drop-offs will be available

We continue to monitor developments closely and will attempt to minimize delays wherever possible.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and for detailed terminal operational schedules, please refer to public notices as issued by the respective terminals. We are committed to minimizing the impact on your operations and we will endeavor to keep you updated with any new information as and when it becomes available.

For any further questions, please revert to your local OOCL office.

Sincerely yours,  
OOCL Ltd. ZN Deutschland

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