



Network changes to the Middle East/Indian Subcontinent To/from North America

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To Our Valued Customer,

We are pleased to advise the following enhancements to the MECL 2 service, operating between North America and the Middle East, India, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka. The rotation of this product has been carefully designed to continue coverage of key ports, while offering superior flexibility for servicing connecting ports from the Middle East and Indian sub-continent. Also enhancing the product is the inclusion of an additional vessel significantly improving schedule reliability in line with our mission to offer our customers the industry's most reliable ocean transportation products.

Key features of the service are summarized immediately below:

- ◆ The East Coast United States port rotation will be modified to call Newark first on the Westbound leg, thereby improving transit to this important market from key South Indian market & trans-shipment points via Colombo, Sri Lanka
- ◆ The upgraded schedule includes Wednesday arrival in Newark on the Westbound leg improving cargo availability to the New York metropolitan area, and to points served via this major gateway
- ◆ On the Eastbound leg, exports from Norfolk and Savannah will benefit from improved transit times to points in the Middle East and Indian sub-continent.

The changes to the service are effective immediately, with the following specific phase in details:

- ◆ Maersk Douala 0805 will be the first eastbound (export) vessel departing Newark on March 3, 2008
- ◆ Maersk Djibouti 0805 will be the last vessel sailing Savannah, Norfolk, and Newark, departing Newark on March 16, 2008
- ◆ Maersk Douglas 0804 will be the first vessel westbound sailing in the new rotation arriving in Newark on March 20, 2008
- ◆ Maersk Driscoll 0804 will be added to the MECL2 service in Chennai/Madras, India on March 26, 2008 and be the first vessel that will sail under the new proforma start to finish.



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Please review the following maps for more details on the departure and arrival schedules, ports-of-call, rotation and transit times.



MECL2 - Westbound

| PORT | ARRIVES | DEPARTS | TRANSIT |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|---------|
| Chennai/Madras, India | WED 0000 | FRI 1800 | -- |
| Colombo, Sri Lanka | SUN 0600 | MON 1500 | 2 |
| Salalah, Oman | FRI 0200 | SAT 0400 | 6 |
| Jeddah, Saudi Arabia | TUE 0200 | TUE 1200 | 10 |
| Port Said, Egypt | THU 1900 | FRI 0600 | 13 |
| Algeciras, Spain | WED 0200 | THU 0130 | 18 |
| Newark, NJ, USA | WED 2330 | THU 2130 | 26 |
| Norfolk, VA, USA | SAT 0730 | SAT 2130 | 28 |
| Savannah, GA, USA | TUE 0730 | TUE 2230 | 31 |

Note: Weekly Service



MECL2 - Eastbound

| PORT | ARRIVES | DEPARTS | TRANSIT |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|---------|
| Newark, NJ, USA | WED 2330 | THU 2130 | -- |
| Norfolk, VA, USA | SAT 0730 | SAT 2130 | 2 |
| Savannah, GA, USA | TUE 0730 | TUE 2230 | 5 |
| Algeciras, Spain | FRI 0730 | SAT 0130 | 15 |
| Gioia Tauro, Italy | MON 1830 | TUE 1230 | 18 |
| Jeddah, Saudi Arabia | MON 1430 | TUE 0030 | 24 |
| Salalah, Oman | FRI 0930 | SAT 0530 | 28 |
| Chennai/Madras, India | WED 2300 | FRI 1800 | 34 |

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These changes in our MECL product demonstrate our continued commitment to offering you a reliable product with the level of efficiency and cost effectiveness needed in this trade.

For information on schedules, please visit www.safmarine.com.

We thank you for your business and look forward to serving your transportation needs in the future.

Yours sincerely

On behalf of Safmarine Container Lines



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