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## QUOTA UPDATES

The quota updates for this week include:

1. EU Quota fill-rates
2. US Absolute Quota fill-rates
3. US Tariff Rate Quota fill-rates.

## DENIED PARTY UPDATES

### EU

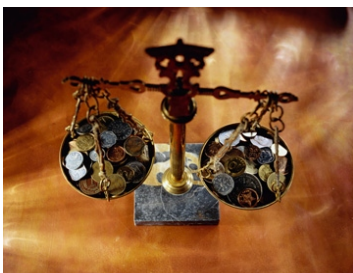
2 denied parties have been modified.

*Source: Official Journal of the European Union*

### US

58 denied parties have been added and 1 deleted.

*Source: Office of Foreign Assets Control and US Department of State and Department of Commerce (Bureau of Industry and Security)*



## LANDED COST UPDATES

### AMERICAS

#### ARGENTINA

Argentina Customs has released changes to the Tariff Schedule regarding general duty rates, product descriptions, addition and deletion of HTS positions. The following HTS chapters are affected: 17, 29, 39, 44, 46, 55, 60, 70 and 87.

*Source: Argentina Customs*

#### COLOMBIA

Colombia Customs has released changes to the Tariff Schedule regarding general duty rates, product descriptions, addition and deletion of HTS positions. The following HTS chapters are affected: 02, 16, 29, 30, 38, 39, 84, 87, 93 and 95.

*Source: Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Tourism*

### MIDDLE-EAST/AFRICA

#### JORDAN

1. Update on Jordan US preferential trade agreement affecting all the chapters
2. Update on Jordan - Israel preferential agreement affecting various chapters.

*Source: Jordan Customs*

## REGULATORY UPDATES

### AMERICAS

#### ARGENTINA

New list of products that require Automatic Licenses Prior to Import.

*Source: Ministry of Economy and Production*

#### CHILE

1. New export authorization requirements for fish. The following HTS chapters are affected: 02, 03, 05, 12, 13, 15 and 16
2. New import certificate requirements for liquid fuel, petroleum fuel, petroleum diesel, kerosene, gasoline for internal combustion motors and gasoline for aviation motors. Import prohibitions affecting used cars and the following chemicals: Veralipride, Tegaserod and Pergolide. The following HTS chapters are affected: 27, 29, 30 and 87.

*Source: National Fishing Service; National Customs Service*

### AISA-PACIFIC

#### TAIWAN

1. New export control on steel waste and scraps. The following HTS chapter is affected: 72
2. Import Licensing update. The following HTS chapters are affected: 02, 03, 20, 21, 22, 29, 32, 70, 85 and 90.

*Source: Bureau of Foreign Trade*

**ON THE ANVIL****Updates being processed:**

Argentina  
 Australia  
 Austria  
 Botswana  
 Brazil  
 Canada  
 Chile  
 China  
 EU  
 India  
 Israel  
 Lesotho  
 Malaysia  
 Mexico  
 Namibia  
 New Zealand  
 Saudi Arabia  
 South Africa  
 Swaziland  
 Switzerland  
 Taiwan  
 Turkey  
 US  
 Venezuela  
 Vietnam

**CONTRACT ASSESSORIAL UPDATES****Fuel Surcharge Updates:****US-EUR**

TACA wishes to advise members that BAF levels will remain unchanged through July 15<sup>th</sup>:

Atlantic/Gulf Coast Ports: \$607/20'; \$1214/40'; WM \$61

Pacific Coast Ports: \$911/20'; \$1822/40'; WM \$91

**Other Surcharge Updates:****EUR-MED**

To coincide with the repeal of the liner conference exemption in EC Regulation 4056/86, EMTA will terminate operations on October 17, 2008. Accordingly, the conference tariff and any other existing EMTA arrangements will cease to be in operation on October 18, 2008.

**CARRIER SERVICE UPDATES****ASIA**

APL has enhanced its service offering to and from Vietnam with the launch of a new feeder service between Vietnam, Taiwan, and Singapore. The new Southern Vietnam Express (SVX) service will provide two more weekly departures from Ho Chi Minh City and complement APL's three existing weekly feeder services from Vietnam. Jointly operated with Hanjin, the SVX service will call the following port locations: Ho Chi Minh City, Kaohsiung, and Singapore.

**ASIA-US**

CKYH Alliance (COSCO, K Line, Yang Ming, and Hanjin Shipping) announced that its AWE (All Water East Coast)-Central service will resume May 20<sup>th</sup>. The following locations will make up the ports of call: Xiamen, Yantian, Ningbo, Shanghai, Busan, Savannah, Norfolk, and Charleston.

**ASIA-C.AMERICA**

COSCO and Evergreen will separate the jointly operated CUE service, and each party will launch an Asia/Central America service independently beginning in early June. COSCO's new service will maintain the CUE name, while Evergreen's new service will be called FPS. The new CUE service will call the following ports: Shanghai, Ningbo, Yantian, Hong Kong, Lazaro Cardenas (Mexico), and Balboa.

**ASIA-M.EAST**

COSCO and Evergreen will restructure the existing jointly-operated CPG service by splitting it into two independent loops: the China Persian Gulf service (CPG1) and the China Arabian Persian Gulf service (CPG2). Starting in June, the CPG1 service will cover the following ports: Shanghai, Ningbo, Yantian, Singapore, Jebel Ali, Banda Abbas, Karachi, and Singapore. The CPG2 service will call the following locations: Qingdao, Shanghai, Ningbo, Yantian, Hong Kong, Tanjung Pelepas, Jebel Ali, Dammam, Nhava Sheva, Singapore, and Kaohsiung.

**EUR-M.EAST**

Maersk Line is pleased to announce the enhancement of its ME3 service between Europe and the Middle East. To improve product offering, larger ships will be phased in. Starting June 7, the upgrade should take approximately four weeks to complete. In addition to the regular ports of call, Tangiers (Morocco) will be added in order to offer efficient connections to Maersk's Mediterranean and African network.

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