



# NEWS ALERT



Shipping News – 2 December 2009



**Important North & East Asia Trade Update** – With the advent of the traditional non-peak period in the Nth and Est Asia to Australia trade, major operators in the trade have agreed to enter into a rationalization of their services, in order to reduce operating expenses.

To us this means that shipping lines will again reduce ships in rotation to share more space on each other's vessels, thus keeping peak season space allocation problems ongoing and keeping freight prices high. Suits them, not us!

**BAF Review Imports – Ex Sth East Asia, Middle East, Sub-Continent** to Australia to increase to **USD 555 per TEU**, proposed implementation 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010.

**Ex Europe** to Australia to increase to **EUR 545 per TEU for Continental ports and USD 661 per TEU for Mediterranean ports**, proposed implementation 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010.

**GRI Import** – Has now been notified for all cargoes ex **Sth East Asia, Middle East, Sub-Continent Trades** to Australia of **USD 250/500 per 20/40**, with proposed implementation of 15<sup>th</sup> December.

## BAF Review Exports

**To Europe** from Australia to **USD 729 per TEU to Continental destinations and USD 595 per TEU to Mediterranean destinations**, proposed implementation 1<sup>st</sup> January.

**Hamburg Sud** will introduce a higher BAF levy for this trade lane of **USD 770 per TEU**, proposed implementation, 1<sup>st</sup> January.

**To FIJI** from Australia to **USD 571 per TEU**, proposed implementation 1<sup>st</sup> January.

**To Sth East Asia** from Australia to **USD 210/355 per 20/40**, proposed implementation 4<sup>th</sup> December.

**To Nth Asia** from Australia to **USD 400/800 per 20/40** from 4<sup>th</sup> December.

**To Mexico, United States, Canada, the Caribbean and all other destinations services via the Panama Canal** from Australia to **USD 700/1400 per 20/40**, proposed implementation 1<sup>st</sup> January.

*As always we make it our priority to keep costs down through continued negotiations on your behalf.*

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