

## **OUTSIDE THE BOX**

Hi All,

Welcome to another market update – goods news – rates have reduced again for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of September, which is a strange occurrence for this time of year but one that I am sure everything is happy to accept.

As always, we appreciate your support and understanding.

\*\*\*Just a quick reminder that China will have their annual Golden Week Holiday from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 7<sup>th</sup> of October (inclusive)\*\*\*

**\*\*** Christmas is not far away, so make sure that you get your orders in ASAP so that container / shipping space can be booked **\*\*** 

## **Chinese Shipping Market**

- Rates will be reducing in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of September by approximately USD200 per 20GP & USD400 per 40GP/HQ
- 2 new shipping lines ex China to Australia, helping to increase capacity and keep rates competitive

- We are seeing many vessel delays in northern China after delays in Busan Port, Korea due to congestion and typhoons
- If you require an NOR (non-operation Reefer, a slightly smaller container at a reduced rate) rate for NON-DG cargo only, please email Melissa – <u>sales@auscus.com.au</u>
- We can offer rates direct into Townsville ex China, if you require a quote please email Melissa – <u>sales@auscus.com.au</u>

## FCL & LCL Deliveries

- Container Detention charges reach record highs
  - We wish to remind everyone to be mindful of detention and try to have the container emptied the day it's delivered and to notify us via email it's available for empty return immediately
  - Transport companies have 48-72 hours business days only (MON-FRI) to collect the empty container and return to the empty depot, this time it takes the transport company to collect is also included in your free days allocated by the shipping line, so please keep that in mind
- FCL & LCL Fuel Surcharge remains volatile, fuel surcharges are still increasing
- Container door direction is doors to the rear by default
  - DP World and Hutchinson do not allow the transport carrier to choose the way that the container doors face, only Patrick will allow doors either way
  - Therefore, if your container is discharged at DP World or Hutchinson and require doors front facing the truck cab additional fees will apply because the trucking company will have to take the container back to their depot and lift it off the truck and back on the truck with the doors front facing
- We are also seeing FCL & LCL Truck waiting time on more shipments

- LCL There can be delays of up to 4 or 5 hours for collection from LCL depots due to a lack of staff
- FCL We are seeing delays at the wharf, client premises and with the return of the empty container due to reaching capacity, weather events, traffic, and depot staff shortages

## IMPORTANT QUARANTINE INFORMATION – "Khapra Beetle" & "BMSB Measures" – 2022-2023 seasons:

- If you have purchased a used shipping container for your home, farm, or business – recently or even years ago, we are asking you to keep a look out for Khapra Beetle, please see the attached Biosecurity notice for more information
- Current and future Khapra Beetle measures
  - <u>https://mailchi.mp/agriculture/import-industry-advice-notice-p6dxtiopso?e=c06ba24926</u>
- BMSB season starts again on the 1<sup>st</sup> of Sept ember so if you have a shipment leaving one of the target countries or being shipped via a target country on or after the 1<sup>st</sup> of September the new measures will apply to you
  - Please check the following link to see if BMSB measures will apply to your cargo, or call Mitch or David at the office: <u>https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-</u> <u>trade/import/before/brown-marmorated-stink-bugs</u>
  - In the news
    - Liner profits set to hit new high in Q2, but there are choppier waters ahead The Loadstar
    - <u>'Massive' typhoon disrupts ports and airports in Shanghai, Ningbo and Busan The</u> Loadstar
    - <u>Australia foreign trade holding up but domestic logistics a challenge The Loadstar</u>

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