



Customer Advisory #173 – 2010
Canadian Customs (CBSA)
Freight Remaining On Board Filings
Effective January 1, 2011

Dear Valued Customer:

Effective January 1, 2011, the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) will implement the next phase of their Advanced Commercial Information Program (ACI) which will require that all cargo loaded on vessels in the United States and Remaining on Board while transiting through Canadian Ports (FROB) must be filed electronically with the CBSA.

All cargo shipping on board the Black Pearl (voyage prefix starts with "BY" and ends with "S") and Columbus Loop West (voyage prefix starts with "US" and ends with "W") services, sailing out of New York and Seattle, will be affected. This requirement will include any Freight Remaining On Board (FROB) cargo that will not discharge in Canada.

Once the marine cargo data is submitted to the CBSA, CMA CGM will either receive an electronic confirmation to load, or instructions from Canadian Customs officials not to load the cargo. Based upon this confirmation (or denial to load), CMA CGM will determine whether to load cargo at either of the two aforementioned ports.

Please note that the documentation cutoff for these two affected services will be adjusted to allow time to comply with this new requirement and ensure that your cargo is able to be loaded. CMA CGM will now require complete and proper shipping instructions to be submitted two business days prior to the published operational port cutoff, in order to provide a complete and proper manifest transmission to Canadian Customs. Any shipments that do not have complete and proper shipping instructions submitted within this time frame will be rolled, and any fines or charges associated with cargo being rolled due to incomplete or invalid information will be for the shipper's expense.

In order to ensure that your cargo is loaded, the following pieces of information are required on your Shipping Instructions (SI):

Voyage number	Container number	Shipper name
Vessel name	Container size & type	Cargo weight
Payment terms	Type of inner packaging	Cargo description
Total number of packages	Number of inner packages	Type of package
Internal transaction number (ITN)	Gross weight by commodity item	Cargo description

For more details on the Canada Border Services Agency's Advance Commercial Information program, please refer to the CBSA website at http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/prog/aci-ipec/marmode_menu-eng.html.

We appreciate your ongoing support and cooperation as these new procedures take effect. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this change, please contact CMA CGM Customer Service at (877) 556-6308 or usa.exportcs@cma-cgm.com.

Best Regards,

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