



Dear Sir/Madam,

First of all: our very best wishes for the year 2008. May all your dreams come true, and bear in mind a strong understanding partnership will make 2008 a successful year for all of us!

New World Alliance will be sailing slower

After MSC, CMA CGM, Grand Alliance and Maersk, the New World Alliance will now also slow down sailings between Europe and the Far East. Sailing schedules will be adjusted during the 1st quarter of 2008.

The alliance of APL, Hyundai Merchant Marine and MOL now has 4 loops with each 8 vessels between the Far East and Northern Europe. The coming year, they intend to deploy 9 vessels per service but it is not clear yet whether this will be the case for all 4 loops.

With these extra vessels the alliance can build-in extra buffer time in its sailing schedules to catch up with possible delays caused by bad weather conditions or port congestions. Of course, high bunkering costs play a role too. By slowing down the vessels, the 3 carriers can make huge fuel savings. New World Alliance stresses the fact that their weekly capacity will not be raised.

APL, Hyundai and MOL are still fiddling with sailing schedules because in many ports vessels will have to sail off on another day. Thus, all terminals will have to agree on new "berthing windows".

Polytra appoints Air Freight Manager

It is with great pleasure that we announce the appointment of Mr Arnaud Wangermée to the position of Air Freight Manager, effective January 01, 2008. His primary focus will be the ongoing development of the air freight product. Arnaud comes to Polytra International Logistics Belgium with 20 years of experience in the Freight Forwarding Industry. His latest position was import manager at Geodis in Belgium - air freight division. Arnaud will start within our Antwerp office. Later this month we will move our airfreight customer service to the Brussels Airport.

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CAF/BAF UPDATE

As from 01/01/2008 on-board date till 31/01/2008 following surcharges apply :

To/from the Far East (FEFC):

BAF: USD 487/TEU USD 974/FEU USD 22/CBM

CAF: 14.80%

PSS : USD 8/CBM USD 135/TEU USD 270/FEU

NPC : USD 300/20ft ex Yantai, Lianyungang, Dalian

To/from India/Pakistan/Bangladesh/Sri Lanka :

BAF: USD 335/TEU USD 670/FEU USD 19/CBM

CAF: 17.69%

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