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Dear Valued Customers,

As the implications of the Corona virus continue to grow in complexity and effect, it impacts production and trade in China and the wider World significantly.

Ocean carriers have increased their cancelled sailings across strings ex China to worldwide destinations. Such announcements raise concerns of impending equipment shortage in overseas markets. For example, USA is expecting equipment shortages particularly at inland depots within USA. Europe expects a shortage of equipment at feeder origins and even main ports on their export in the near future. We are furthermore also seeing a strain on Airfreight capacity due to the many missing passenger flights to/from China.

We all hope and trust this medical emergency will improve quickly for the sake of those affected. However, due to the magnitude of the challenge we all face, repercussions easily can linger for the next few months. Rest assured that Bsc Essex Freight, along with our many partners around the world, have worked on contingency plans to minimize the disruption overall. We have secured additional equipment where possible, and developed alternative routes, in an effort to continue our weekly export service offerings globally with as little disruption as possible. It may mean finding alternatives to our traditional routings, We are further increasing our footprint on the Rail services ex China to Europe and increasing our carrier portfolio on ocean to include even more carriers.

Such alternatives in routing, along with other unknown factors that may come into play, may result in increased costs and/or surcharges having to be imposed. Congestion charges imposed by Carriers, obtaining equipment and space in imbalanced location. repositioning cargo through alternate gateways, etc. can result in additional fees being imposed to our clients. We will continue to monitor the situation and inform you in due course if increases should arise from this.

Kindly consider Bsc Essex Freight as your contingency partner and let our experts help you further.

We look forward to hearing from you.



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