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To : All Shipping Lines, Ship Agents, C & F Agents, Ship Owners, Shipmaster

Subject : Storage, Handling and Transportation of Temperature Controlled IMDG and Non-Hazardous Cargo

All Port users and Shipping communities are hereby instructed and urged to ensure that all hazardous goods in break-bulk or packaged form including pressurized or non-pressurized canister which are classified and listed in accordance with IMDG Code requirements and Non-Hazardous goods are stored, handled and transported as per below mentioned requirements. It is imperative to consider inside temperature of the container while transporting cargo taking into account the prevailing weather conditions expected in Dubai Ports at all times.

1) IMDG Class 1:

- Class 1 cargo for Dubai Importation will be accepted within Dubai ports only on direct delivery basis during the summer months.
- IMDG Class 1 cargo which requires special storage temperature as per IMDG code and their manufacturer's requirements shall be stored in accordance with their respective requirements to ensure that at no given time does the storage temperature of these cargo is exceeded.
- Export containers will be accepted within the Dubai port limits only on the day of exportation/ shipment loading.

2) Gas Lighters, IMO Class 2.1, UN 1057:

- Gas lighters in Containers or Break-bulk for Dubai Importation will be accepted within Dubai ports only on direct delivery basis during the summer months.
- Gas lighter exported through Dubai ports in dry containers will be accepted within the Dubai port limits only on the day of exportation/ shipment loading.
- Transshipment containers carrying gas lighters will be accepted within Dubai ports provided they are stored in reefer containers.

3) Class 2.1, 2.2, 3, 4.1, 4.2 and 5.1:

- Any cargo classified under above titled groups which requires special storage temperature as per IMDG code and their manufacturer's requirements shall be stored in accordance with their respective requirements to ensure that at no given time does the storage temperature of these cargo is exceeded.

4) All other IMDG Classes:

- Any cargo which is classified under IMDG code groups and which requires special storage temperature as per the IMDG code and their manufacturer's requirements shall be stored in

accordance with their respective requirements to ensure that at no given time does the storage temperature of this cargo is exceeded.

5) **Non-Hazardous Cargo:**

- a) Any Non-Hazardous Cargo which has a limitation on its storage temperature as per its manufacturer's requirements shall be stored in accordance with their requirements to ensure that at no given time does the storage temperature of the cargo is exceeded.

Where the IMDG code or Manufacturers storage, handling and transportation requirements are conflicting, the more stringent safety measures shall be applicable.

Cross stuffing operation involving all those IMDG listed cargoes which requires special storage or handling temperature will not be accepted within Dubai ports unless adequate and appropriate safety measures are available to ensure such operations are carried out as safe as reasonably practicable in accordance with the applicable IMDG code, Manufacturers and EHS requirements.

The concerned shipping line, agent will be held fully accountable for any incident, damage or leakage that may occur during the storage of these above mentioned hazardous and non-hazardous cargoes within Dubai ports jurisdiction.

Any contravention of these above mentioned requirements may result in appropriate sanction which may also include imposition of fines against the violator.

All relevant and applicable IMDG Code and Ports EHS requirements should be strictly followed at all times. Any queries related to this circular should be forwarded to ehs.ports@trakhees.ae

This circular is intended to assist all concerned parties to promote a safer, cleaner and hazard free working environment. We look forward to receiving your cooperation to protect and preserve our Port's Safety & Environment.

Sincerely,

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