Labour Strike notice at Port of Montreal

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LABOUR STRIKE AT PORT OF MONTREAL



Dear Valued Customer,

The Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), Local 375, representing longshoremen working at the Port of Montreal, has given today a 72-hour strike notification to the Maritime Employers Association (MEA). The strike is being carried out as part of the negotiations for the renewal of the longshoremen's collective agreement with the Port and will start on Monday July 27th at 7 am and will end on Friday the 31stof July at 6:59 am. All terminals at the Port of Montreal will be impacted by this strike.

MSC has two vessels with plans to call the Port of Montreal on the week of the 27th of July, the MSC SARISKA and the MSC MARIA PIA. Both vessels have been delayed and will be berthing on Friday the 31st of July after 7 am. The MSC POH LIN which is scheduled for the 26th of July will be idle at the port during the period of the strike. More information will be provided throughout the week as to cut-offs and new estimated time of departure.

On the export side, The MSC LEIGH and MSC BRIANNA are already at the port and will be departing on schedule.

Clients whose shipments' final destination are already at the Port of Montreal, are kindly requested to pick up the shipment as soon as possible. All terminals at the Port of Montreal will have their gates open on Saturday July 25th, 2020 & Sunday July 26 from 7:00 AM to 14:30 PM to allow Truckers to pick up available containers.

In the event that containers are not picked up on Saturday or Sunday, the next availability for collection will be on Friday July 31st, 2020 as of 7 am. For import containers on rail, rail operations will continue as normal throughout the weekend.

We will provide further updates as soon as they become available. As you can appreciate, however, this remains a fluid situation caused by circumstances well beyond our control and impacting all carriers calling the Port of Montreal.

Best Regards,

MSC (Canada) Inc.



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