

Rail Freight Info Eurasian Corridor



Dear colleagues,

A new wave of Covid-19 cases in China's Hebei province triggers transport restrictions.

After Covid19 is heavily back in Europe also China reports cases in different regions, mainly in North China but also in Shanghai region. The province of Hebei surrounding Beijing and the northeastern provinces of Jilin and Heilongjiang have been put into lockdown in recent weeks.

A **limit for both drivers and trucks** to/from/in transit to these regions was imposed. Deliveries by truck have been suspended in Hebei. A **truck shortage** is the consequence.

Furthermore China is experiencing a **shortage of truck drivers** as a result of Covid 19 quarantine and due to the upcoming **Chinese New Year**.

The prolongation of the European lockdown triggers a trucker shortage due to travel restrictions and sick leaves also in Europe.

This trucking shortage both in China and Europe comes on top of the **scarce availability of containers and capacity** and causes thus **higher rates**.

The **rate increase for February** differs from platform company to platform company and in some cases from trade lane to trade lane.

We thus strongly recommend you to check the impact on your customers, the new rates and the available capacity case by case for each single existing or potential new business.

Please **consult with your MMS counterpart** (see contact matrix below) before communicating the financial impact to the customers.

Despite of the current tense market situation we **expect a certain market recovery after the Chinese New Year**.

Thanks for your understanding and stay at your disposal for further questions.

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