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NEPTUNE PACIFIC LINE

FOR LEGENDARY SERVICE

IMPORTANT NOTICE VGM AMENDMENT (HUTCHISON PORTS)

Dear Valued Customers,

With the new legislation for verified gross mass/weight (VGM) declaration now in force, Hutchison Ports Australia terminals SICTL and BCT will only load containers that have the mandatory declaration of the verified gross weight prior to entry into the yard. This declaration is to be completed at the time of lodging a PRA.

Should an amendment to the VGM be required after an export container has entered the terminal, the following information must be received from the shipping line in order for the change to occur in the terminal:

- Container number
- Declaring party (or the Responsible party) verifying the weight of the container and contents
- Declaring party or Responsible party's address, email and telephone number
- Declaring party's organisation/company name
- Consignee/receiver's name
- Verified Gross Mass (VGM) in kg
- SOLAS weighing method used (Method 1 or Method 2)
- Signature of the Declaring or Responsible party verifying the VGM
- Date of the verification

Please note that the terminal will only make a change to the VGM if the above information is received. The terminal takes no responsibility for the declaration of the amended verified gross mass. This information will then be stored on file for presentation to AMSA or any other authorised agency should the terminal be requested to do so.

Once change has been made the updated information will be transmitted to the BAPLIE file for the vessel and shipping line.

SICTL and BCT will charge a change of status fee (administration cost) and any yard move costs if the container is required to be repositioned within the terminal for planning purposes or in preparation for loading.

HPA would also request for shippers/exporters/declaration parties assistance to keep the number of VGM change requests to a minimum. A high number of requests may impact on vessel planning because of the time and administrative work involved. Similarly a large number of repositioning moves of containers within the yard will also impact on vessel planning and preparation for loading of vessel. We thank all parties for their understanding and cooperation with this.

This is effective immediately and applicable to all current and forward bookings/shipments.

For further clarification, please do not hesitate contacting Neptune Pacific Line Customer Service Australia on +612 9235 2999.

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