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"News Flash"

Carriers to Stop Providing Chassis in Some Markets

Over the past few weeks, several carriers have started to announce that they will stop providing chassis in selected markets for both import and export cargo with the likelihood of gradually expanding nationwide in due time.

As part of their continued cost reductions, improved efficiencies, along with the uncertainty of future volumes, some carriers will begin as early as August 1, 2010 to start phasing out their providing of chassis, a trend other carriers not yet participating may follow in due time.

As of today, CMA, Evergreen, OOCL, ACL, and NYK have announced such programs they are intending to implement, while Maersk Line had already started a program where they are renting out their chassis to draymen.

Not all programs have yet been defined on a per carrier basis, but as we gain more knowledge of what markets this will impact and how costs will be determined going forward, we will provide such details as it relates to your shipments.

If you have any immediate questions, please feel free to contact your sales representative or local handling office.

Sincerely,

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