

Potential Work Stoppages and Protests by the ILWU and Truck Owner Operators

Dear Valued Customer,

We would like to advise you that we have received reports from our local offices of work stoppages at the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach this morning in a protest of the Iraq War by the ILWU. The Journal of Commerce Online Edition has also reported that the ILWU will stage this protest at all West Coast ports they service today. There is no indication as to the length of time for the protest. This action will inhibit our ability to pick up and deliver your freight at the affected ports.

Additionally, we have also received reports that truck owner operators may stage a second protest today or tomorrow about the continued increase in diesel prices. We have not received any indications that these actions have begun regionally or nationally.

We will provide you with additional information as it becomes available through our customer service, sales and communication channels.

We appreciate your understanding and support.