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Labor Action Shuts Down West Coast Ports

Dear Valued Customer,

Members of the ILWU have staged a “no show” that has effectively shut down many West Coast ports, including Los Angeles and Long Beach, Oakland, Tacoma, Seattle, and Hueneme. At this moment, no one knows when normal operations will resume.

Multiple media reports are also warning that more port shutdowns are expected to spread along the West Coast, as workers are refusing to report for assignments due to the unending ILWU-PMA contract negotiations, which have been on-going since last May.

Due to the potentially chaotic situation, we are imploring all our clients to, whenever possible, route their goods through East and Gulf Coast ports until this situation is completely resolved.

Please reach out to your dedicated client solutions representative if you have any questions or concerns about how this situation may impact your shipment(s). Our advisors can quickly and immediately help coordinate alternative plans.

Sincerely yours,

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