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From the Desk of the Director of Operations

Dear United Shipping Partners,

Spring is upon us and as more people are getting vaccinated our world is slowly opening up. I have had numerous inquiries concerning meetings and you will all be pleased to know the confirmed dates for the next Worldwide Meeting have been set for May 16-19, 2022 in Cancun, Mexico.

Looking forward to seeing you all.

I wanted to also remind you all that my Rutherford email is no longer active, and I am not receiving since Sept 2020. When emailing me please note email address as <u>mmckay@unitedshipping.com</u>. I can also be reached at +1-778-866-8573 text/ whatsapp/ wechat or old-fashioned telephone too. Feel free to reach out to me at any time with any comments, questions or concerns.

We have lots of new ideas in the works to help move our Network into the future, but I am always open to different ideas that you, our Partners, may have that you feel will make our network even better!

Regards,

Michael McKay Director of Operations United Shipping Inc.

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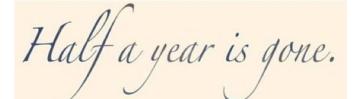
Corporate News

Holidays

If you have not already done so, please send your holidays for the month of **July** for publication in the Network News. We are unable to send holiday updates, holidays received late and/or corrections due to the extensive number that we receive on a monthly basis. We are also unable to list half-days.

Please send the **Corporate Office** your holidays by **June 11, 2021**.

To see the June Holiday list, please click the photo below!



Welcome



Way Back Wednesday



Do you have any great old photos you want to share for WBW? Throughout the years, you, THE PARTNERS, have taken some great shots which captured amazing memories. Share them with us!

Got News?

Please send the Corporate Office any updates on your company, new employees, current or completed projects, awards and/or anything you want to share with our USI family! Photos, videos, or presentations are always a plus! Please send all submissions to us today!



Partner News

Our Sincerest Condolences to the Kuppusami Family

It is with deep regret and profound sadness, we inform you all that the beloved founder, Chairman and Managing Director of K Square Global Logistics Pvt Ltd, Chennai, India, Mr. Ln. K. Kuppusami, passed away on May 6, 2021 due to COVID 19.

Our sympathy, our thoughts and our prayers go out to the Kuppusami family. We have lost a dear friend and great business associate.

A Great Collaboration Between Partners

Leon Vincent Overseas France is proud to share it's experience for a shipment we did in cooperation with Airwaves South Africa.

On April 23, 2001, 4 new front loader units with demensions 11.45x6.62x3.42M - 21140 kgs each) were shipped from Durban to Tema, Ghana.

Airwaves organized the pick up from factory to Durban Port. The cargo should arrive in the Tema port May 8, 2001 and then Leon Vincent Overseas will deliver the 4 units to a mining site in Burkina Faso.



Thanks Airwaves for this excellent collaboration!

Congratulations, Sean!



Sean Nieman (Import Air Freight) at Midwest Transatlantic Lines, LLC, received his Customs Brokers License dated February 25, 2021, License Number 40387!!

From your partners all over the world, congratulations on a job well done, Sean!

Banking Updates for Tower Freight

Tower Freight Logistics, one of your partners in Bangladesh, has recently updated their banking information. Please visit their partner page on the United Shipping website to view the changes. Please make sure your accounting department has this new information.



Hazmat Penalties Rise for 2021

Federal law concerning compliance orders and civil penalties are subject to change. The US Department of Transportation has increased hazmat civil penalties for regulatory violations effective May 3, 2021, including violations of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR). The increase apply to hazardous materials violations by ground, air, and sea transportation.

Adjusting Hazmat Civil Penalties:

The new hazmat civil penalty amounts are as follows:

1. The maximum hazmat civil penalty for hazmat shipping violations has risen from \$83,439 to **\$84,425** per day, per violation.

2. For a violation that results in death, serious illness, severe injury, or substantial property damage, the maximum hazmat civil penalty has risen from \$194,691 to **\$196,992** per day, per violation.

3. The minimum penalty for failure to provide hazmat training for employees has risen from \$502 to **\$508** per employee, per day.

How Hazmat Civil Penalties Amendments Affect Hazmat Employees

The changes to hazmat civil penalties are widespread. To learn more about these revised penalties click <u>https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-05-03/pdf/2021-08224.pdf</u> to have access to the Federal Register / Vol. 86, No. 83 / Monday, May 3, 2021 / Rules and Regulations.

Summary:

In accordance with the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015, this final rule provides the 2021 inflation adjustment to hazmat civil penalty amounts that may be imposed for violations of certain DOT regulations. With that said, hazmat employees must be compliant and attentive in the handling and processing of hazardous material shipments to avoid incidents that can bring on a civil penalty and jeopardize our transportation system.

Stay Updated with Hazmat Online Training:

Hazmat employees have a responsibility to stay up-to-date on any changes related to the federal and international hazmat regulations. Subscribing to publications like The Federal Register is an excellent way for hazmat employees to receive regular updates regarding amendments to the hazardous materials regulations. However, even frequent readers need to undergo initial or recurrent training, as required by 49 CFR and international regulations.

Happy Eid Mubarak!

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Intercom & SAT Contact Information Update

Intercom and SAT have updated their contact information on their partner pages. Please visit their pages on the USI <u>website</u> to make sure you have all the updated contact information.





Happy Work Anniversary!



William Moore is celebrating 29 years with E.R Hawthorne!

Peter Vasilopoulos is celebrating 22 years with Alfons Koster!

Randal Fonseca Gonzaga is celebrating 17 years with Hormino Maia!

Juan Pablo Palacios Hardy is celebrating 15 years with Silver Freight!

Cyril Hernandez is celebrating 13 years with Leon Vincent!

Nafiur Rahman is celebrating 12 years with Tower Freight!

Zoe Paraskeva is celebrating 11 years with Cyprus Global!

Raul Fuenmayor is celebrating 7 years with Team Freight!

Maritta Kononen is celebrating 7 years with Greencarrier!

Partner Spotlight

Allports Portland, Oregon



Del and Kathy Allen started forming the Allports group of companies in 1986 and today they consist of three privately held companies; Allports Forwarding Inc., Allports Incorporated and Allports Brokerage.

These three companies provide OTI, Freight Forwarder, Customs Brokerage, Property Brokerage and soon NVOCC services.

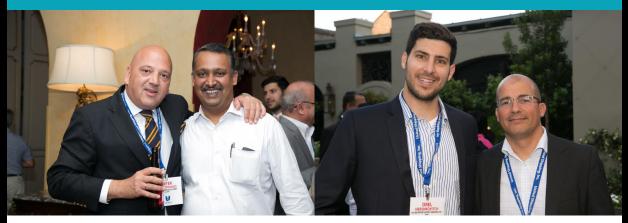
The name ALLPORTS was derived from the founders last and maiden names. Del "Allen," President of the Allports companies and his wife Kathy Allen, whose maiden name is "Portwood." Together ALLPORTS was realized!

Our purpose from the outset has been to provide the highest quality of professional services in the fields of International Freight Forwarding and Customs Brokerage.

We are problem solvers, specializing in creative solutions to many of the difficulties exporters and importers can encounter in getting their products to market. When others throw up their hands, we roll up our sleeves. We burn a lot of midnight oil when the situation calls for it. There's no substitute for that kind of personal attention for which our clients and global agents have come to expect.

To learn more about Allports, please visit their website!

Way Back Wednesday





Industry News

Hapag-Lloyd Rocks Already Hard-Hit Transpac Shippers with a \$3,000 GRI

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