



EVERGREEN LINE

A Joint Service Agreement

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Dear Valued Evergreen Customers and Partners:

Following the events and effects of the catastrophic collapse of Baltimore's Francis Scott Key Bridge, and as the situation is beyond Evergreen Line's control, Evergreen Line now formally announces that there is a "Force Majeure" event and that Evergreen Line invokes Clause 21 of Evergreen bill of lading (Matters Affecting Performance).

For those cargoes carried by Evergreen Line including all Export cargo that will be loaded in Baltimore and all Import cargo which are originally discharged/destined for BALTIMORE will be discharged the Goods at any convenience and/or safe port, the respective contracts of carriage will now be treated as terminated and all carrier's responsibilities shall cease simultaneously in accordance with the above clause.

The collapse of the Bridge, as a force majeure event, has hampered cargo carriers' efforts to provide service in the Port of Baltimore and the performance of their duties as anticipated. Affected parties are therefore notified that Evergreen Line recognizes this catastrophe as such an event and exercises all its rights under contract and/or under general maritime and common law. Once this force majeure event has come to an end, Evergreen will make an announcement about the change.

Should you have any questions, please contact your Evergreen Sales Representative or Customer Service Team at each local region. A comprehensive contact list of Evergreen America can also be found by visiting below.

<https://www.evergreen-shipping.us/egsweb/jsp/officelist.jsp>

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Thank you for your attention and understanding.