

MUMBAI PORT TRUST

Docks Department

No.TM/S/11-3/17 of 09-10

Date: 21-7-2009.

President

The Bombay Custom House Clearing Agents' Association

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Bombay Chambers of Commerce & Industry

M/s. Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd.

All India Importers' Exporters' Association

Sir

Sub: **Handling of fertilizer/fertilizer raw materials through Hay Bunder - Reduction in stevedoring charges.**

Ref: Circular No.TM/B/1-13/9 of 2003-04 dated 19.5.2007.

Attention is invited to the above mentioned circular, informing therein, inter-alia, that with effect from 21.5.2007, mother vessels carrying fertilizer/fertilizer raw materials shall be permitted to discharge their cargo in stream into barges for offloading the same at Hay Bunder and that the recovery of stevedoring charges for stream discharging operations would be @ Rs.135.48 per metric tonne.

2. Pursuant to the requests received from a few Importers of fertilizers/fertilizer raw materials for reduction in the stevedoring charges with the assurance that they would use the facilities at Hay Bunder extensively, the issue was examined by the Board of Trustees in its meeting held on 30.6.2009 and approved.

3. Accordingly, with effect from 22.7.2009, the stevedoring charges on fertilizers and fertilizer raw-materials off-loaded in mid-stream and moved by barges to Hay Bunder shall be @ Rs.79.03 per metric tonne for a period of one year. Other facilities, as communicated vide circular under reference, would remain the same, viz.

- i) 15 days free period will be allowed for the cargo offloaded at Hay Bunder from the date of discharge of first barge of the mother vessel;
 - ii) Wharfage payable is @ Rs.15/- per M.T. for cargo handled at Hay Bunder; and
 - iii) Demurrage charges payable are @ Rs.5/ per ton per day or part thereof beyond 15 days.
4. The reduction in stevedoring charges is being extended with a view to reduce the handling cost at Mumbai Port.
5. You are requested to inform your members to avail above facility and route their cargo through Mumbai Port.

Yours faithfully,

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