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~~FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION~~

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WEST COAST MTO DISCUSSION AGREEMENT

A Marine Terminal ~~Discussion~~ Agreement as defined in 46 C.F.R. 535.307(b) e)

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ARTICLE I. FULL NAME OF THE AGREEMENT.

The Agreement established hereby shall be entitled the "West Coast MTO Discussion Agreement" (hereinafter "Agreement").

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY OF THE AGREEMENT.

(a) **GENERAL.** ~~It is the purpose of this Agreement to enable the marine terminal operators that are parties hereto, to meet and discuss, agree on, all matters related to motor carriers and rail carriers to the extent authorized under Federal Maritime Commission (hereinafter "FMC" or "Commission") regulations, 46 C.F.R. §§ 501 et seq. For purposes of this Agreement, "matters related to motor carriers and rail carriers" shall include rates, charges, rules, regulations, practices, terms and other conditions of service that involve or affect the relationship between marine terminal operators and motor carriers and/or rail carriers (hereinafter "the Discussion Subjects").~~

~~(b) **DISCUSSION SUBJECTS.** The Discussion Subjects may include all matters involving or affecting the interchange of cargo, chassis and containers between marine terminal operators and motor carriers and/or rail carriers including:~~
The parties are authorized to exchange information, discuss, agree upon, establish, revise, maintain, cancel and enforce:

(i) terminal rates (excluding the inland division or inland portion of through rates), charges, rules, regulations, procedures, practices, terms and conditions for motor and rail carriers relating to cargo moving in the foreign commerce of the United States concerning, among other things, involving security, access control, gate rules, demurrage, detention, billing; compliance with interchange/leasing arrangements, indemnification and limitations of liability, and resolution of disputes and complaints;

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(ii) charges to be imposed on cargo interests and/or such other persons as the parties may agree or other measures to be taken in order to encourage the use of and recover costs of off-peak operations. The parties are authorized to exchange information, discuss, and reach agreement upon the hours of marine terminal operation, services to be offered/provided, and the costs of marine terminal operations (whether during peak or off-peak hours). The parties are authorized to meet, individually or collectively, with users (including inland and ocean common carriers and/or cargo interests) to discuss and attempt to reach a consensus with respect to the development, implementation, administration, and revision of the aforementioned measures and/or charges;

(iii) the development, acquisition and use of technology related to the safe, secure and efficient transportation of cargo including, but not limited to, RFID technology;

(iv) compliance with statutes and regulations, including the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, state motor vehicle safety regulations approved by the Department of Transportation, and the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002, Coast Guard rules and regulations, and other current or future regulations;

(v) the formation, management, supervision, contracting with and dissolution of a separate legal entity to implement and administer any agreements reached hereunder, with such legal entity having the authority to contract with third-parties with respect to all or any portion of such agreements, including the collection of charges, and the distribution of monies collected as a result of such charges, which distribution may be based on total or other measures of cargo volume;

(vi) procedures for implementing and administering any agreement reached hereunder, which procedures may be set forth in an appendix hereto and/or one or more marine terminal schedule(s);

(vii) procedures for monitoring compliance with agreements entered into hereunder and remedies for breach of such agreements; and

(viii) the terms of a common marine terminal operator schedule and/or the parties' individual marine terminal operator schedules.

LIMITATIONS: Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to alter or supersede the rights and obligations of the parties under any applicable collective bargaining agreement. The 'inland division' or 'inland portion' of through rates shall not be discussed.

b) **MEETINGS AND DISCUSSIONS.**

(i) The parties or any two or more of them ~~hereto~~ are authorized to conduct meetings and hold discussions and reach voluntary agreement related to the subjects set forth in subparagraph (a) above ~~Discussion Subjects~~, either as the entire group or through subcommittees or subgroups.

(ii) Pursuant to the foregoing authority, the parties shall establish an Executive Committee consisting of one representative from each of the five (5) parties having the highest number of Revenue Units (as hereinafter defined) and one representative chosen from among the other parties. The Executive Committee shall develop recommendations for consideration and approval of the parties.

(iii) For purposes of this Agreement, "Revenue Units" shall mean the total loaded TEUs (or equivalent revenue units as defined under Pacific Maritime Association rules and guidelines) handled and moving through the parties' terminals (including those of affiliates listed in Appendix A hereto) including rail and gate moves, but excluding transshipment, inter-terminal and domestic moves. Until such time as the parties may otherwise agree, the parties' cargo volumes shall be determined based on data provided by the Pacific Maritime Association.

(c) **INFORMATION EXCHANGE.** The parties hereto are authorized to obtain, compile, maintain and exchange information, whether past, current or anticipated, including records, statistics, studies, data and documents of any kind or nature, whether prepared by the parties or obtained from outside sources, to allow the development of additional agreement(s) and understanding(s) with respect to matters

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within the scope of this Agreement. ~~; PROVIDED such information is related to the Discussion Subjects.~~ Unless otherwise agreed, all information exchanged by the parties that is clearly labeled or identified as confidential information shall be treated as confidential, proprietary and/or trade secrets by the parties to members of the Agreement and shall not be disclosed to any unaffiliated third party without the express consent of the party that provided the information. It shall not be a violation of this section to disclose information pursuant to lawful government requests or court orders.

~~(c)~~ **ADDITIONAL AGREEMENT(S) AND UNDERSTANDING(S).**

~~(1) The parties hereto are authorized to reach additional agreement(s) and understanding(s) related to the Discussion Subjects.~~

~~(2) Any additional agreement(s) or understanding(s) reached as a result of meetings, discussions or exchanges of information under this Agreement shall be subject to consideration and adoption by the parties hereto.~~

~~(3) Any agreement(s) or understanding(s) reached as a result of the meetings, discussions or exchanges of information had under this Agreement shall be filed with the Commission as provided in Shipping Act of 1984, as amended (hereinafter "the Act"), and FMC regulations, and shall not become effective except as provided by the Act and FMC regulations.~~

(d f) **BINDING EFFECT OF AGREEMENT ACTIONS NOT BOUND.**

(1) Except as otherwise expressly provided hereunder or with respect to any amendment to this Agreement, a party shall be bound by a proposed agreement, decision or action reached or to be taken hereunder ("Agreement Action") only if it

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affirmatively states in writing (including e-mail) that it agrees to be bound. In stating that it agrees to be bound by all or part of any Agreement Action, a party may establish limitations on the extent to which it is so bound. A party may thereafter choose not to be bound by any Agreement Action in accordance with the provisions of Article XI hereof. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to bind any party hereto to any additional agreement(s) or understanding(s) reached as a result of meetings, discussions or exchanges of information under this Agreement.

(e) **DOMESTIC CARGO.** For purposes of reaching or implementing agreements or decisions with respect to all matters within the scope of Article II(a) hereof, the parties are also authorized to discuss, consider, agree and exchange information with respect to waterborne cargoes moving in U.S. domestic trades to, from, or via those marine terminals within the geographic scope of this Agreement ("Domestic Cargo") to the extent that such terminals also handle cargoes in U.S. foreign commerce. The foregoing authority for Domestic Cargo shall include consideration of and agreement on all matters for such cargoes which are authorized under Article II(a) with respect to foreign commerce cargoes.

~~(2) Only those parties that individually subscribe to such additional agreement(s) or understanding(s) shall be bound, and then only to the extent provided for in such additional agreement(s) or understanding(s) once such additional agreement(s) or understanding(s) have taken affect as provided by law.~~

ARTICLE III. PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT.

(a) **CURRENT PARTIES MEMBERS.** The current parties to this Agreement are set forth in Appendix A annexed hereto.

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(b) **ADDITIONAL PARTIES MEMBERS.** Upon a vote of the parties, additional marine terminal operators shall be allowed to join this Agreement in accordance with the requirements of the Act and FMC regulations, ~~PROVIDED~~ a majority of the current members vote in favor of the application for membership.

(c) **WITHDRAWAL.** Any party may withdraw from the Agreement at any time by giving written notice to the Secretary; provided, however, that such withdrawal shall not relieve a party of its obligations for its share of Agreement administrative expenses for the period prior to the effective date of its withdrawal or for its share of an existing Agreement financial obligation to a third party (e.g., a contract with a vendor), if that party's withdrawal from the Agreement would directly increase the cost obligation of the remaining parties for such Agreement financial obligation, with respect to the portion of the current term (exclusive of extensions) of such obligation remaining at the time the party's withdrawal becomes effective, or for a period of one (1) year after the effective date of withdrawal, whichever is shorter.

(d) **REVOCATION.** A party's membership may be revoked by a ~~majority~~ vote of the current parties. If a party's membership is revoked for reasons other than failure to fulfill its obligations hereunder (including the payment of its share of Agreement expenses) or failure to continue to qualify for membership, it shall not be liable for any Agreement expenses or liabilities with respect to the period after the effective date of the revocation of its membership.

(e) **PROCEDURE.** Any addition to the membership, withdrawal or revocation shall require the parties to amend or modify this Agreement. Such amendment or modification shall be filed with the FMC and shall become effective in accordance with the Act and FMC regulations.

ARTICLE IV. GEOGRAPHIC SCOPE.

This Agreement shall apply to all of the ports within the States of California, Oregon, and Washington in which the parties hereto are engaged in activities involving or relating to ocean transportation of cargo in the foreign commerce of the United States. The parties may, pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, limit their discussions and/or the application of any decisions reached hereunder to a portion of the geographic scope of this Agreement.

ARTICLE V. MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY.

Only marine terminal operators whose business involves ocean transportation in the foreign commerce of the United States within the geographic scope of this Agreement are eligible to become parties to this Agreement.

ARTICLE VI. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY.

Upon a vote of the parties approving an amendment hereto in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the law firm of Carroll & Froelich, PLLC, is authorized by the parties listed in Appendix A annexed hereto to execute this Agreement and any subsequent modifications or amendments hereto on their behalf, to file this Agreement and any modifications or amendments hereto with the Commission on their behalf, and to make all other filings on their behalf with the Commission relating to this Agreement, including the filing of minutes required by 46 C.F.R. § 535.706.

The law firm of Carroll & Froelich, PLLC also has the authority, following the approval of the parties pursuant to the terms hereof, to sign bridge agreements on the parties' behalf.

ARTICLE VII. ADMINISTRATION OF AGREEMENT.

(a) **CHAIRMAN.** The parties to this Agreement shall select a Chairman to preside at all meetings held pursuant to this Agreement. The Chairman shall be selected from among the members of the Executive Committee and shall also serve as Chairman of the Executive Committee. ~~The initial Chairman is John Miller whose address is International Transportation Services, Inc., 1281 Pear J Ave., Long Beach, CA 90802.~~

(b) **SECRETARY.** The parties to this Agreement shall select a Secretary to be responsible for all administrative tasks as directed by the vote of the parties hereto. ~~The initial Secretary of this Agreement is Mark Johnson whose address is 1850 M Street, NW, Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036.~~ The Secretary shall schedule meetings upon receiving a request for a meeting, giving all parties hereto a minimum of seven days' notice and distributing a proposed meeting agenda. The Secretary shall be responsible for recording the minutes of all meetings held pursuant to this Agreement.

(c) **FUNDING.** The parties members to this Agreement shall have the power to impose and collect membership fees to pay the costs and expenses incurred in the administration of this Agreement, including the fees and charges of counsel and other service providers, provided that such costs and expenses have been approved by the parties members in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Unless otherwise unanimously agreed, each party's share of the costs and expenses of this Agreement shall be based on its share of the total Revenue Units of the parties.

(d) **TIME AND PLACE.** The parties members may meet from time to time and at such places as they may decide to hold meetings, discussions and exchange information as authorized by this Agreement.

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(e) **ONE CLASS.** The membership under this Agreement shall consist of one class.

(f) **REPRESENTATIVES.** Each party member shall designate a representative and may designate an alternate who shall be authorized to vote on its behalf on any matter coming before a meeting of the parties to this Agreement.

(g) **QUORUM.** A quorum for a valid meeting at which a vote is to be taken shall be two-thirds (2/3) of the total Revenue Units of the parties require that a majority of the members be in attendance.

(h) **ATTENDANCE.** Attendance at meetings under this Agreement may be by telephone, by video conference, or other means agreed to by the parties members.

(i) **VOTING.** All references to a "vote" or "voting" in this Agreement shall mean voting in accordance with this section VII(i). Voting shall be based on Revenue Units. Each party shall be entitled to a vote equal to the percentage obtained by dividing its individual Revenue Units (and those of its affiliates named herein) by the total Revenue Units of the parties. Agreement decisions shall require a majority vote, which shall be the affirmative vote of at least 50.1% of the total Revenue Units of the parties; provided, however, that amendments to this Agreement shall require the affirmative vote of at least 66.6% of the total Revenue Units of the parties; and, provided further, that an amendment to Article VII(c) revising the basis upon which costs are allocated shall require the affirmative vote of 100% of the Revenue Units of the parties. Except with respect to matters expressly set forth in this Agreement or with respect to any amendment hereto, any decision taken with respect to an Agreement Action shall bind an individual party only as provided in Article II(d). In the event a proposal being voted upon relates only to ports within a particular

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geographic region of the Agreement, only parties with a terminal in that region shall be entitled to vote on such proposal and only such parties' Revenue Units shall be counted in determining whether the necessary vote for such proposal has occurred. For purposes of this section, the Agreement shall have the following geographic regions: Southern California (Los Angeles/Long Beach and ports south thereof), Northern California (ports in the San Francisco Bay area) and the Pacific Northwest (ports in Oregon and Washington). Notwithstanding the definition of "Revenue Units" in Article II(b)(iii), in the event of a vote on matters within the scope of Article II(e), cargo within the scope of Article II(e) shall be included in the calculation of the parties' Revenue Units. ~~Each member shall be entitled to one vote. All actions taken shall be authorized by majority vote of the members present and voting.~~

ARTICLE VIII. DURATION, MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION.

(a) **DURATION.** This Agreement shall become effective when permitted by 46 U.S.C. app. § 1705 and continue until terminated.

(b) Intentionally left blank. ~~**MODIFICATION.** The terms of this Agreement may be amended or modified by majority vote of the parties.~~

(c) **TERMINATION.** This Agreement shall continue in effect indefinitely until terminated by a ~~majority~~ vote of the parties ~~members~~.

(d) **PROCEDURE.** Copies of any modification, amendment or termination of this Agreement shall be filed with the Federal Maritime Commission and shall become effective as provided in the Act and FMC regulations.

ARTICLE IX. PARTIES' OBLIGATIONS.

(a) SECURITY. The parties each agree to deposit in such account or with such entity as they may designate from time to time cash, a surety bond or a confirmed irrevocable letter of credit in such amount as they may agree from time to time. The amount of the security may be the same for all parties or may vary based on Revenue Unites or such other factors as the parties may agree from time to time. The form and terms of the security shall be approved by the parties. Any interest paid on the deposit shall be for the account of the depositing party and may be paid directly to it.

The foregoing deposit shall constitute security to the Agreement and the parties for the depositor's obligation to pay expenses and liabilities of the Agreement incurred during the time of its membership. If the security shall have been resorted to in whole or in part on account of the failure of the party to pay its share of Agreement expenses, the party providing such security shall, within ten (10) working days' notice of same, deposit in the account additional security of the kind stated above sufficient to restore the deposit its original level.

The security deposit shall remain on deposit for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days after the withdrawal or termination of membership of a party and then shall be released unless the remaining parties have determined that there is good cause to believe that such security may be required to satisfy the party's obligations under this Agreement.

In the event any party fails to renew its security deposit at least thirty (30) days prior to its expiry or fails to restore the security deposit as required hereunder, upon 48 hours written notice to the party, the Chairman shall draw upon the full amount of such security deposit which is outstanding. The proceeds of such drawing shall be

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maintained in an account designated by the Chairman and such proceeds shall be applied to delinquent obligations of the party under this Agreement. At such time as the security is restored by a party and such security is adequate to cover any still outstanding delinquent obligations, any remaining balance of the proceeds shall be returned to such party.

(b) **ADHERENCE.** It shall be a breach of this Agreement for any party to provide marine terminal services within the geographic scope of this Agreement (or a portion thereof) upon terms and conditions inconsistent with those to which it is bound pursuant to procedures under Article II(d).

ARTICLE X. ARBITRATION

Any dispute between or among any parties concerning or based upon this Agreement shall in all cases be referred for resolution to a single arbitrator in Los Angeles, CA, to be appointed by the mutual agreement of the two sides in the arbitration or, failing such agreement and upon application by any party, by the President of the Society of Maritime Arbitrators, Inc. Except by agreement of the parties to the dispute, there shall be no pre-hearing discovery. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final, binding, and not subject to further review and may be enforced by a prevailing party in any court having jurisdiction. The costs and expenses of such arbitration (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred by a party or parties) shall be borne by the non-prevailing party or as the arbitrator shall otherwise determine.

ARTICLE XI. RIGHT OF DISASSOCIATION.

(a) Except as provided by paragraph (b) below, any party may, on not less than five (5) business days' advance notice, elect not to be bound by all or any portion of an Agreement Action to which it had previously agreed to be bound by providing written notice of disassociation from that Agreement Action to the Chairman of the Agreement. Such notice shall include a description of the Agreement Action (or portion thereof) from which the party is disassociating itself. The Chairman shall promptly forward the notice to all other parties. After a party has given notice of disassociation, the parties are authorized (but not required) to confer regarding the disassociation and to take action in response thereto, including action for purposes of reaching a compromise.

(b) In the event a party disassociates itself from an Agreement Action by which it was previously bound, and such Action involves an existing Agreement financial obligation to a third party (e.g., a contract with a vendor), and the cost obligation of the other parties bound to such Agreement Action will increase as a direct result of the party's disassociation, the exercise of the right of disassociation shall not relieve the disassociating party from its obligation to pay its share of such financial obligation with respect to that portion of the current term (exclusive of extensions) of such obligation remaining at the time the party's disassociation becomes effective, or for a period of one (1) year after the effective date of disassociation, whichever is shorter.

(c) A party may delay the effectiveness of a notice of disassociation or withdraw it at any time before the expiry of the notice period by providing written notice of delay or withdrawal to the Chairman. A party which has disassociated itself from an Agreement Action (or a portion thereof) may reassociate itself with and become bound

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by such Action (or a portion thereof) with immediate effect by so notifying the
Chairman in writing.

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ORIGINAL APPENDIX A

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