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CUSTOMER ADVISORY

Dear Valued Customer,

This announcement is to advise the "K" Line Implementation Policy for the new amendment of the [International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code](#) (IMDG – Amendment 34)

- **Effective November 1, 2009:** All dangerous goods applications and shipments submitted to "K" Line on, or after November 1st must be based on the 34th Amendment.
- Any application to transport dangerous goods prepared in accordance with Amendment 33 will be declined by "K" Line after October 31, 2009.

Background:

- Year 2009 has been a "transition year" in which the International Maritime Organization (IMO) authorized use of *either* Amendment 33 or 34.
- According to IMO, Amendment 34 officially comes into force on January 1, 2010.
- In order for "K" Line to comply with enforcement of Amendment 34, the implementation date must be set as November 1, 2009 due to transit times, transshipments and vessel arrival dates.

DG Loading Plans / Blocking and Bracing:

Additionally, we would like to take this opportunity to stress that special attention and care must be taken when loading and securing dangerous goods into "K" Line containers. Proper blocking and bracing that can sustain the affects of each mode of transport (road, rail, ocean) is critical for safe and damage free transportation. Specific reference tools and guidance can be found at: http://www.kline.com/KAMCompliance/Cargo_Claims_Damage_Prevention.asp

For any questions, please send via email: RICBHAZ@us.kline.com

Thank you for your continued support and business.

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