

COVID-19 UPDATE

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“K” Line continues to closely monitor the situation with the Coronavirus as it impacts global shipping.

As of now, “K” Line vessels remain unaffected, except for decreasing demand.

“K” Line's ECAMS service from US to South America has been temporarily suspended until May due to lack of demand North America to Brazil & Argentina.

As supply chains are disrupted around the world, potential for port closures due to a backup of cargo or labor disruption are probable.

At the moment, some vessels are being delayed in arrival due to 14-day isolation requirements being put in place by government authorities. This is a rapidly evolving situation.

Regional feeder carriers are advising deep cutbacks and suspension of service to countries which represent COVID-19 "hot spots".

All manufacturers in Europe have curtailed production or in most cases, closed down plants completely. The supply line of European goods from plants in Europe are reaching the end of their supply.

Municipalities have implemented countermeasures to combat the virus which will adversely impact availability of labor. Labor costs are rising sharply as a result of these countermeasures. Governments have issued orders that must be followed.

It is a fluid situation with information changing very quickly.

“K” Line will do everything we can to minimize disruptions to your supply chain while maintaining a safe working environment for staff and crews.

It remains our goal even in these difficult times to provide our customers the best service we possibly can. With that in mind we want you to understand that transshipment cargo destinations will almost certainly experience long delays in delivery or possible cancellation of voyage at transshipment ports.

We will make every effort to keep you advised of any developments or announcements during this challenging time.

We wish for each of you, safety and health during this time.