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1. CP/CN Montreal rail terminals dealing with major congestion

The rail terminals in Montreal are heavily congested and delays from between 2-3 weeks are to be expected. Both terminals have experienced a rapid volume increase and have outgrown the capacity to handle all containers in a timely manner. We understand that these delays will not improve in the foreseeable future. We will continue to monitor this situation and advise accordingly.

2. ITN announces new agent in Italy – ITALSEMPIONE SPA

Please note, effective September 13, 2004 we have changed agents in Italy to better serve our customers. The new agent, Italsempione SPA, is the largest Italian based forwarder with over 15 offices throughout Italy. Please advise all your Italian suppliers accordingly, or contact your sales rep/ITN customer service for further details.

Head office details as follows:

ITALSEMPIONE SPA

20010 Vittuone (MI) Via Restelli, 5

Milano, Italy

Ctc: Sergio Franchi - (39) 0 29035 0294

3. Import Freight Conference advises Oct 1st Rate Increase

The members of the Continental Canadian Westbound Freight Conference and the Canadian North Atlantic Westbound Conference advise that a General Rate Increase is planned for October 1st. This GRI will be as follows:

- **General Cargo:** US\$160 / US\$200 per 20' / 40' container
- **Temperature-Controlled Cargo:** US\$300 per container

4. Med-Can Freight Conference advises Oct 1st Rate Increase

The Member Lines of the above Conference have announced the following rate increases on Eastbound cargo, effective October 1st, 2004:

- **General Cargo:** US\$100 / US\$150 per 20' / 40' container

5. CBSA N-586 Exporters Business Number & RM Account Identifier

We were advised as follows: Paragraph 1 - 1st sentence: "All exporters exporting goods from Canada for consumption in destinations *other than the U.S., Puerto Rico or U.S. Virgin Islands* have to register with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) for a Business Number (BN) with an RM account identifier for exporting."

Paragraph 2 - 1st sentence: "When completing customs documents *such as an export declaration*, exporters have to give the correct BN and RM account identifier." The amended version will be on the CBSA website shortly. Please visit the website for complete details at: <http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/E/pub/cm/cn586/README.html>.

Any questions/clarifications with the above, please contact your sales representative or call **ITN Customer Service** department at **(905) 362-1111**



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