

## **Transportation Traffic Report:**

An update on global situations that may affect product flow.

**Week of:** May 15, 2023

## **GLOBAL PULSE**

#### France

Sporadic job action and disruption continues to intermittently impede transportation causing 1–2-week delays. We continue to work with our Forwarder to minimize the impact on LCBO orders.

# **Argentina and Chile**

Severe drought in the Panama Region has created a low water situation in the Panama Canal. Vessels will be reducing the number of containers onboard to adhere to lower draft restrictions. Cargo volumes are quite light at this time so LCBO cargo should not be affected.

### **New Zealand**

As Auckland cleans up and restores infrastructure following weather issues our orders continue to move albeit with delay. We will monitor the situation and work to keep the orders flowing to minimize delay.

## **CANADIAN PORTS**

Montreal – 14-day dwell Halifax – 7-day dwell Vancouver- 10-day dwell

**Alberta-** there are currently 81 active wildfires burning in Alberta. The fires are predominantly located quite a bit west and northwest of Edmonton thus not affecting highway and rail lines for our trade but we will continue to monitor the situation.

**Quebec-** the thaw period for 2023 has the load restriction period from Monday, March 20 to Friday, May 19. Trucks that will be transporting heavy loads such as full beer must be cut to a maximum of 22 pallets to comply with weight restrictions. Please note that the end date is subject to change.

This is a general information circular designed to alert members of the trade to global issues which may affect product flow. For detailed information regarding the status of product shipments please contact your Specialty Services Customer Service Representative or Inventory Manager.

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