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To all of our very valued customers, clients and suppliers,
thank you for your ongoing support throughout the last year.
Everyone here at JJL appreciates that without you,
there is no us. I'd like to wish each and every one of you a
very merry Christmas and a healthy and wealthy 2013 –
Keep smiling!

Jim Lawson
Managing Director



Merry Christmas

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and much more!





Matt's top tip - Australian Customs matters

Welcome to my last Top Tip of 2012.

Dumping and Countervailing Duties

In the last Bare Facts, we wrote about increasing activity in regard to Dumping and Countervailing Duties. Here follows an update on further changes since that article.

The Trade Measures Review Officer has directed Australian Customs to re-open their terminated investigation into Formulated Glyphosate.

Australian Customs has also:

- commenced a new inquiry as to whether to impose Countervailing Duties on zinc-coated (galvanised) steel and aluminium zinc-coated steel exported from China alongside the investigation into the Dumping of the same products from China, Korea and Taiwan;
- finalised its inquiries into Dumping Duties imposed on PVC from USA and Japan and maintained the imposition of dumping duties, albeit with new rates applying;
- imposed Dumping Duties on PVC from South Korea;
- finalised its accelerated review of Dumping Duties imposed on pineapple exported from Kuiburi Fruit Canning in Thailand and decided that no Dumping Duty is payable unless the export price falls below the ascertained export price;
- made a preliminary affirmative finding in regard to Hot Rolled Coil Steel from Taiwan, Korea, Malaysia and Japan and, as such, has imposed Dumping Cash Securities on all imports of this product from these countries until the dumping inquiry is finalised;
- notified of the impending expiry of Dumping Duties on iron and steel grinding mill liners exported from Canada and called for submissions on whether they should be continued.
- reviewing current Dumping Duties imposed on Dried Currants from Greece;

The following products are currently subject to Dumping and/or Countervailing Duties:

Goods	Country of export	Dumping Duty (DD) /Counter
Aluminium Extrusions (including some kits including such extrusions)	China	DD & CD
Aluminium Road Wheels	China	DD & CD
Ammonium Nitrate	Russia (or through Estonia)	DD
Biodiesel	USA	DD
Clear Float Glass	China, Indonesia, Thailand	DD
Dried Processed Currants	Greece	DD
DICHLOROPHENOXY-ACETIC ACID (2,4-D)	China	DD
Geosynthetic Clay Liners	Germany	DD
Greyback Cartonboard	South Korea	DD
Hollow Structural Sections	China	DD & CD
(including steel tube and pipe)	Korea, Malaysia & Taiwan	DD
Iron and steel grinding mill liners	Canada	DD
Linear Low Density Polyethylene	Thailand	DD
Pineapple Fruit in Containers	Philippines & Thailand	DD
Polyvinyl Chloride		
Homopolymer Resin	Korea, Japan & USA	DD
Preserved Mushrooms	China	DD
Silicon Emulsion Concrete Admixtures	USA	DD
Sodium Hydrogen Carbonate		
(Sodium Bicarbonate)	China	DD
Tubeless Steel Demountable Rims	China	DD

Australian Customs has recently changed the Duty Refund and Duty Drawback arrangements in regard to Alcohol and Tobacco Products. Please contact us if you require information on these changes.

Treasury Review on Calculating GST payable on Imported Goods

The Treasury Department is currently reviewing how we calculate the International Transport and Insurance component we include in the GST value of imported goods.

They are considering making Port Charges and other charges GST Free and then including them in the value of the International Transport of the Goods.

This is being done to assist with the collection of GST on DDP and similar transactions.

They are also considering creating a safe harbour method of calculating these International Transport and Insurance costs, where they are unknown. The proposed safe harbour method is a flat 10% of the Customs Value.

We agree that there needs to be safe harbour methodology for calculating these costs but the method proposed does not appear to bear any relationship with reality and actually creates additional problems.

We have made submissions to Treasury on this issue and proposed alternative solutions which we believe will overcome the problems that have been identified with the current legislation.

QUARANTINE ISSUES

New Packing Declarations

AQIS have created new formats for the Packing Declarations that are required for imports arriving by seafreight as FCL, FCX or LCL cargo. Please ask your suppliers to use these new Packing Declarations and contact us on 02 9669 3011 if you have any issues.

The major changes are the removal of the need to identify whether the Packing Declaration is for FCL or LCL cargo, the removal of the bark declaration and changes to the format of the questions relating to timber packaging.

Just a reminder,

- where the only wood-type packaging materials used are plywood, veneer, MDF, HDF, Oriented Strand Board, Masonite, Particle Board, or Chip Board, then the question about whether timber packaging has been used can be answered "No"; and
- if the supplier declares that ISPM 15 treated timber packaging has been used, you do not need to supply a copy of the ISPM 15 treatment certificate.

We can continue to use the old form Packing Declarations until the supplier changes to the new format.

New form templates are available at www.ijlawson.com.au/forms.html

Re-Manufactured Machinery Parts

All shipments of commercially re-manufactured machinery parts can now be released without undergoing a quarantine inspection. The shipment will still need to be declared to Quarantine but, provided you have proper documentation to supporting that the goods have been commercially re-manufactured, they can be released.

Please contact us for the type of documentation that needs to accompany such goods.

Imported Frozen Fruit and Vegetables

From 1 February 2013, imported frozen fruit and vegetables will no longer the need a manufacturers' declaration. From this date, the export invoice should contain the following information:

1. Hard Frozen Statement – (that the goods have been frozen at -18°C for at least 7 consecutive days prior to arrival in Australia).
2. Country of origin
3. Botanical Names
4. Packaging Information
5. Processing Information

Methyl Bromide Fumigation Certificates

From 1 March 2013, all Methyl Bromide Fumigation Certificates must contain one of the following statements to be acceptable:

- Plastic wrapping has not been used in this consignment; or
- This consignment has been fumigated before application of plastic wrapping; or
- Plastic wrapping used in this consignment conforms to the Wrapping and Perforation Standard as found in the Methyl Bromide Fumigation Standard.

Please notify your suppliers of this requirement.

AQIS – Rural / Metro Post Codes

As of 1 July 2012, AQIS no longer has postcodes identified as Fringe Rural. As such, all postcodes in Australia are designated as Metropolitan or Rural, although there are a few postcodes that AQIS has identified as having areas within them that are both Metropolitan and Rural. This means that where FCL or FCX Containers are being delivered to postcodes or areas designated as Rural they will be subject to Tailgate inspections at the wharf prior to delivery. Most postcodes that were previously designated as Fringe Rural are now designated as being Metropolitan postcodes.

Until next time...



BEAR BITS

Bear is a census-designated place (CDP) in New Castle County, Delaware, United States. The population was 17,593 at the 2000 census.

Originally a small crossroads in a rural area south of Wilmington, the area supported small farms growing mainly corn and cattle. In the late 1980s and 1990s Bear became a popular location for the construction of sprawling housing developments and shopping centers along US Route 40. Bear is not an incorporated municipality or strictly delineated area in the county, but instead a general reference to the collection of communities in the US ZIP codes 19701-19702.

According to common legend, the name "Bear" originated from a tavern located along the roadway from Wilmington to Dover, Delaware (at the intersection now formed by US 40 and State Route 7), whose sign was decorated with the image of a large bear.

We delivered this

We recently delivered this new high dive attraction to Luna Park.



One of the Big Bears making the delivery.



e-tracking

Many of our customers are now utilising this system feature. It allows 24/7 access to cargo, shipment and freight tracking information:

Some Features:

- View shipment and customs declaration data/documents
- View current, past and future shipments
- View historical documents
- Run reports and print job related documents
- Create and view bookings and purchase orders
- Request the pickup and/or delivery of containers

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Tracking/e-tracking



Meet the Bears!



Denis Coso - Sea Freight Manager *AKA Coso or Cos Man

Has been at JJL since...
January 1994

The best thing about my job is...
the constant challenges and the sense of fulfillment

My biggest work achievement to date is...
getting my Brokers License and becoming the Sea Freight Manager

My ideal weekend would be...
GF 2013, sitting at the ANZ stadium with my family, watching the Rabbitohs win

The most amazing thing I ever saw...
was the birth of my children

To me, sport is all about...

winning, passion, sportsmanship and, of course, The Rabbitohs

I really admire...

my wife. Also, people who set goals and achieve them with little fuss

When I'm driving around, I'm listening to...

Jamiroquai, Roxette, Glenn Whitehall (rising artist), Matchbox 20, One Direction, and the list goes on

Don't talk to me about...

Politics and war

In ten years time I'll be...

in the same place as I was ten years before. Or watching Souths V Bears in an ANZ Stadium Corporate Box

All I want for Christmas is...

Well, Santa, I do need a car! Seriously, all I want is for my family and friends to be healthy and happy

What I like most about working for JJL...

the constant entertainment, the fun people I work with, Michael Cunningham's stories and the lolly jar.



On the Net

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