

## MSC IMPROVES SERVICE TO KEY NORTH ATLANTIC PORTS

DIRECT SERVICE FROM NORTHERN EUROPE TO BOSTON AND PHILADELPHIA OPERATED EXCLUSIVELY BY MSC.

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MSC Mediterranean Shipping Company S.A. is pleased to confirm continued direct shipping services from Northern Europe to the key US ports of Boston and Philadelphia. The revised service is due to come into effect in early 2015.

While the 2M vessel sharing agreement (VSA) will deliver outstanding operational benefits for MSC clients, the proposed schedule did not include direct services to Boston or Philadelphia. These updated routes will ensure MSC offers complete coverage of North American ports, seamless continuity of service and faster transit times.

MSC considers it strategically important to maintain services into Boston and Philadelphia; to do so while delivering improved transit times from North Europe is a double success.

MSC looks forward to years of growth servicing the Philadelphia market region, and we're grateful for the support of the State of Pennsylvania and its Governor, Tom Corbett. MSC and Governor Corbett's administration worked together on an innovative solution to increase volume in Pennsylvania's ports to the benefit of its economy. Commitment to growth, excellence and successful partnerships are values that we have in common.

The provisional rotation for the westbound service will be as follows:

PORT	DAYS
Antwerp	1
Bremerhaven	3
Rotterdam	5
Le Havre	6
Boston	14
Philadelphia	16

Customers are advised to speak to their local MSC contacts for any further information.

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## Notes to editor

Founded in 1970, MSC is one of the world's leading container shipping lines. Offering a worldwide network of 480 offices in 150 countries, MSC prides itself on delivering a global service with great local knowledge. The shipping line sails on 200 trade routes, calling at 315 ports and has established landside services, delivering a door-to-door intermodal service, almost anywhere in the world.