## **CUSTOMER ADVISORY**

# UPDATE 2: ILA PREPARES FOR STRIKE AT EAST & GULF COAST PORTS

September 26, 2024,

#### Dear Valued Customer,

Carriers and port operators are preparing for a potential and likely strike by the International Longshoremen's Association (ILA) beginning October 1. A strike will cause delays across the entire network, even though it will occur on the East Coast and Gulf ports.

#### Please note:

- Ports are urging shippers to clear out their cargo before September 30, offering extended gate hours and setting deadlines for operations.
- Carriers have begun announcing multiple surcharges in the event of a strike action. The purpose of the surcharges is to cover operational disruptions caused by labor actions and work stoppages.
- We urge customers to return or pick up containers prior to Monday, September 30.

### For more information, please see these JOC.com articles:

- More US ports reveal contingency plans as ILA strike deadline inches closer
- Railroads set deadlines for accepting exports ahead of potential ILA strike

APL Logistics is actively monitoring the situation and will continue to provide updates as needed. If you have any questions, please contact your APL Logistics representative.

Sincerely,

**APL Logistics**