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Dear customer,

We are pleased to present our latest Port Information and Schedule of Fees for Vessels Disbursements. The data presented herein are believed to be accurate, but are subject to change and are presented without any responsibility for accuracy.

The company is a member of the **VSH-UNITED GROUP**, which comprises a Holding Company and nine subsidiaries eight of which are located and operating in Suriname, and one in Miami, Florida. The company is more than forty-five years old and is active in the fields of ship agency and customs broker services, shipping terminal operations and cargo and vessel surveying, transport, trading, real estate and real estate services and steel fabricating. The parent or Holding Company also has substantial interest in other Suriname companies involved in consumer chemicals production, edible oil and fat based foodstuffs, insurance and hotel exploitation. The Holding Company also provides administrative and planning services for the group subsidiaries. The group has provided logistic support to the oil drilling / industry and has played an active role in the establishment of a number of new industries in Suriname.

The head office is located in Paramaribo, in a modern office building owned by the real estate subsidiary and located on the main thoroughfare immediately adjacent to the New Harbor. This office-warehouse complex also houses the shipping and trading subsidiaries.

**United Suriname Shipping Company** as agents, husbanded a total of 212 vessels in 2008:

- Containers 6,138 teus
- Break bulk 76,231 revenue tons
- Bulk cargo 1,028,723 metric tons

Export FCL comprised of rice, plywood, sawn lumber, household detergents, scrap, frozen seafood and project cargo.

Bulk cargoes comprised of import wheat, corn, concentrate and export of alumina, lumber and crude oil. VSH is able to manage the complete logistics, stevedoring, agency services, clearances and purchasing demands for offshore projects.

In addition to ship agency work, we are also active as chartering brokers and surveyors. As surveyors we represent **Société Generale de Surveillance (S.G.S.)**.

Further inquiries about the services we provide are welcome.

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**United Suriname Shipping Company**

**Richard Steenland,**  
**Managing Director**



<b>PART I</b>	<b>PORT INFORMATION</b>
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**A General:**

The bulk of ships in Suriname enters and clears the Suriname River, which provides passage to Paramaribo, the capital city and main port, and Paranam. The latter location is a private port, principally utilized for shipments of alumina. The bridge across the Suriname River is located immediately upstream of the New Harbor at Paramaribo:

- ◆ Maximum passage height, basis low tide (25cm) equals 44,03 m
- ◆ Minimum passage height, basis high tide (325cm) equals 41,03 m

Dock facilities 3 – 9 on page 4 are upstream of the bridge.

The Suriname River is navigable for oceangoing vessels for up to 42 miles from the entrance.

Allowable draft is depended on the depth at outer bar at entrance of Suriname River. The minimum depth over the outer bar at Low Water Springs (LWS) is 460 cm (15', 01") and rise of tide averages 270 cm (9') during spring tides and 200 cm (6') during neap tides. The bottom of the outer bar is soft mud.

The second port is New Nickerie in Western Suriname and is accessible via the Corantijn River estuary and the Nickerie River entrance. The minimum depth over the outer bar at LWS is 210 cm and the bar is also composed of soft mud. The Nickerie River provides access to Wageningen, a rice-loading terminal, while the Corantijn River provides passage to Apoera/Wakay. The rise of tide is 360 cm (11', 10") during spring tides and 230 cm (07', 07") during neap tides.

The third port is Albina in eastern Suriname on the Marowijne River. Albina is situated some 29 miles from the outer buoy. The minimum depth at LWS over the outer bar is 210 cm (6', 11"). The rise of tide averages 280 cm (9', 02") during spring tides and 200 cm (6', 07") during neap tides. The bottom of the outer bar is sand.

The fourth port is Moengo, approximately 96 nautical miles from Paramaribo, up the Cottica River in Eastern Suriname. Moengo is a bauxite mining port. The Cottica River is entered through the Commewijne River. Since 1985 local Bauxite Mining Company has stopped using this port for seagoing vessels. All bauxite is loaded on barges and brought to the private port of Paranam.

**B Communications:**

The Coast Station PZN maintains a 24 hours watch on 500 kHz. A continuous guard is also maintained on 2182 kHz/Am. VHF Channels 12, 16 and 25 are available for radiotelephone contact. Phone calls can be made to:

**VSH – UNITED SURINAME SHIPPING COMPANY**

**Office tel.: 402450 / 402558**

**Office hours: 07.30 hrs – 16.15 hrs Monday to Friday**

**After working hours: CELLULAIR 08805156 / 08869117**

Via the Coast Station, Paramaribo Radio.

The Harbor Office maintains a 24 hours watch on VHF Channel 12.

**Arrival messages:**



Upon approaching Suriname ports vessels are requested to send arrival messages 36, 24 and 12 hours prior to arrival at the Sea buoy, and if necessary to amend their estimated time of arrival in local time (i.e. 3 hours earlier than GMT) after the 12 hours message, via Paramaribo Radio or via the Harbormaster on VHF channel 12. The arrival message should include forward and aft drafts. The pilot will be ordered only after receipt of the confirmed (12 hours) and/or amended ETA.

**C Dock facilities:**

- 1 **New Harbor** – Paramaribo: This is the principal wharf in Paramaribo and is owned by NV Havenbeheer Suriname, a government corporation. It's located on the Suriname River about 21 miles from the Fairway Buoy. The concrete pier is (1815 feet) 520 Meter long. Approximate depth alongside at LWS is (20feet) 6.10 meter. The tidal range averages from [8.85 feet] 2.70 meter at springs to [5.00 feet] 2.00 meter at neaps.
- 2 **Banana Wharf** – Paramaribo: The wooden pier is (297 feet) 96.82 Meter, minimum depth at LWS (18 feet) 5.45 meter.
- 3 **Government Oil Jetty** – Paramaribo: Wooden pier, minimum depth at LWS (18 feet) 5.9 meters.
- 4 **Flour Jetty “De Molen”**– Paramaribo: Minimum depth at LWS (14 feet) 4.6 Meter; private pier.
- 5 **Shell Oil Jetty** – Paramaribo: Minimum depth at LWS (16 feet) 5.22 Meter.
- 6 **Vensur Wharf** – 5 miles upstream from Paramaribo: Private cement wharf.
- 7 **Stateoil Jetty** – 6 miles upstream from Paramaribo. Privat oil jetty
- 8 **Paranam Docks** – 29 miles upstream from Paramaribo:Private (Suralco/Alcoa) wharf on the Suriname River: 2 docks for ore-carrier up to 40,000 dwt; minimum depth alongside at LWS exceeds (30 feet) 9.78 Meter; one gantry crane with a nominal capacity of 50 tons. Maximum allowable length (700 feet) 228.2 Meter, beam (97 feet) 31.6 Meter and airdraft (waterline to top of hatch coaming) 53', loading rate is 750 Metric Tons per hours/day, SHINC.
- 9 **New Nickerie** – Nickerie River: One oil Jetty, one private wharf and one government wharf, able to berth each one vessel of approximately (500 feet) 163 Meter.
- 10 **Wageningen** – Nickerie River: Private dock of Mechanized Rice Foundation (SML) for rice loading. (no longer in use).
- 11 **Moengo** – Cottica River: Two berths at Suralco (Alcoa) private bauxite port.
- 12 **Albina Wharf** – Marowijne River: Small government wharf.

- D **Pilotage:** Pilotage is compulsory for vessels with a tonnage of more than fifty gross or net register tons. Arriving vessels requiring the service of a pilot should contact the Harbor Office (see Communications).

An incoming vessel will be boarded by the pilot at the light buoy. To facilitate safe embarking/disembarking of pilots, vessels are required to provide proper pilot ladders meeting international safety standards.

- E **Crew Declarations:** During the vessel's stay in Suriname each crew member/passenger (including children under 16) will be permitted to retain in their possession for their own use on board the following:
- ◆ 60 cigarettes, or 15 cigars, or ½ pound Tobacco;
  - ◆ 1/5-liter spirits;
  - ◆ 1/3-liter wine;
  - ◆ 2-liter beer;

All quantities in excess of the above will be put under seal. In order to facilitate Customs formalities, stewards should collect all excess quantities before arrival for sealing. All fire arms and ammunition must be manifested on a stores list and remain on board in bond for the duration of vessel's stay in Suriname territorial waters.

- F **Fresh water/laundry/ship chandlers/radio repairs etc.:**  
Available upon request to agent.

- G **Launch service:**  
While at anchor in Paramaribo a launch can be hired at an hourly rate via the agent.

- H **Documents:**
- 1 **Prior to vessel's arrival:**  
From each loading port via airmail/airfreight/email/fax:
- ◆ Two sets copy Bills of lading;
  - ◆ Two manifests incoming cargo; one freighted;
  - ◆ Three special cargo/refrigerator/container lists;
  - ◆ Two stowage plans.

These documents are required in order to prepare the Suriname inward manifests and to facilitate arrangements for discharge. The same documents are required for cargo to be transhipped at Paramaribo.

- 2 **Upon arrival:**  
The following prescribed Suriname Government form documents are required for Customs clearance:
- ◆ five manifest for incoming cargo;
  - ◆ one manifest for transit cargo;
  - ◆ three manifests for outgoing cargo;(These are prepared by the agent before vessel's arrival).
  - ◆ five crew lists
  - ◆ two stores lists
  - ◆ two crew declarations (customs) (These must be prepared by the vessel before arrival).

- 3 **Outward Clearance:**  
This will be prepared by the agent.

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**I Surveys:**

Lloyd's American Bureau of Shipping, Norske Veritas, Bureau Veritas, Germanischer Lloyd, Independent Marine Bureau and Soci t  General de Surveillance have representatives in Paramaribo. Agents will make arrangements as required.

**J Transit shed and other facilities for general cargo at the New Harbor in Paramaribo:**

Two transit sheds provide 8000 square meter of closed storage. Abundant Open storage for general cargo and containers is also available. There is container handling equipment (Reachstackers, empty handlers), trailers, forklifts and ample small trucks available.

There are no bow/stern ramp facilities but side ramps are usable for ro-ro loading and discharge.

**K Working hours:**

Stevedoring gangs work from 07:00 – 23:00 hrs in two shifts from Monday through Friday. Work on Saturdays and Sundays is also possible. Official Suriname holidays is:

- New Year's Day (1<sup>st</sup> January)
- Holi Phagwa
- Good Friday
- Easter Monday
- Labour day (1<sup>st</sup> May)
- Emancipation day ( 1<sup>st</sup> July)
- Id'ul Fitre
- Independence Day (25<sup>th</sup> of November)
- Christmas Day (25<sup>th</sup> December)
- Boxing Day (26<sup>th</sup> December)

Holi Phagwa, Good Friday, Easter Monday and Id'Ul Fitre are moveable feasts.

**L Consulates and Embassies:**

The following countries have ambassadorial, consular or trade representation in Suriname:

Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Lebanon, Norway, the Netherlands, Peru, Poland, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, the United States, The United Kingdom (includes commonwealth countries), Venezuela and Germany.



<b>PART II</b>	<b>SCHEDULE OF FEES</b>
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**General conditions:**

1. Agency fees are net remuneration fees for services rendered and do not include any disbursements.
2. An advance will be required to cover the estimated total cost.
3. Charges stated below are for the new Harbor port, located at the capital city Paramaribo (unless otherwise stated).
4. Fees and rates shown are payable in U.S. Dollars and are subject to change without notice. Some vouchers will be drawn in Suriname Guilders. Conversion to US Dollar is based on the exchange rates published by one of the three private banks in Suriname, applicable on the day when vessel is in port.
5. All prices believed to be correct but not guaranteed. Prices may be subject to added valued tax (8-10%)

**a Agency fees and commissions:**

◆ Agency Fees:

1.	Non cargo services	US\$	1000.00
2.	Liner terms*	US\$	550.00
3.	Non Liner Terms	US\$	1000.00
4.	Bulk vessels – Paramaribo	US\$	1000.00
5.	Bulk vessels – Paranam	US\$	1800.00
6.	Bulk vessels – Nickerie	US\$	2000.00
7.	Cruise vessels	US\$,	2500.00

all amounts for first two days (48 hours) - US\$ 350.00 /day after 2(two) days

**Supplementary fees**

- incoming/outgoing crew member US\$ 50.00 /person
- travel arrangements US\$ 75.00 /person
- Receiving/delivery ships spares US\$ 50.00 /bill of lading or airway bill exclusive of transportation and other payable charges.

**(01) \*Commissions:**

- Payable on net freight - On incoming freight – 3.0 %
- On outgoing freight – 6.0 %

All other prices on request.



**b PORT DISBURSEMENTS** – services provided by third parties

**Pilotage** – based on gross tonnage of vessel as published by Government operated pilotage services.

**Estimate pilotage for in/out Seabouy to Suriname river ports:  
 Seabouy to New Harbour (Round trip)**

Gross Tonnage	Amount
2001 – 6000	\$525.00
6001 – 10000	\$675.00
10001 – 14000	\$942.00
14001 – 18000	\$1131.20
18001 – 20000	\$1254.20

  

**Seabouy to Paranam (Round trip):**

Gross Tonnage	Amount
2001 – 6000	\$ 812.00
6001 – 10000	\$ 981.00
10001 – 14000	\$ 1371.00
14001 – 18000	\$ 1646.40
18001 – 20000	\$ 1825.60

**CUSTOMS CLEARANCE AND SUPERVISION –**

Is an hourly fee of +/- \$ 3.75 and taxi charges as stated under pilotage will apply for ports other than the New Harbor port

**BEACON FEES** – US\$ 0.20 per nett ton of the vessel.

**HARBOR DUES** - US\$ 0.53 per metric ton of cargo discharged or loaded. While levied against the cargo, this charge is a port charge subject to payment by vessel.

**QUAY DUES** at New Harbor- \$ 3.25 per meter of vessels length per 24 hours or part thereof, Paranam \$2.75 per meter per 24 hour or part of it.

**LAUNCH HIRE** – US\$ 10.00 per hour.

**MOORING AND UNMOORING** – Paramaribo ports up to \$ 75.00 per handling.

Paranam: Monday – Friday \$ 260.00  
 Saturday – Sunday \$ 350.00  
 Holidays \$ 525.00

**COMMUNICATIONS** – At cost plus 15%

**POSTAGE AND PETTIES** – At cost.



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**TOPWHARFAGE**

- \$ 8.20 per revenue ton r
- \$ 92.00 per 20' container
- \$ 184.00 per 40' container

**FRESH WATER -** \$6.50 per ton (at New Harbor)  
Service charge of 25% on invoice amount.

c **CARGO EXPENSES** – Stevedoring and cargo handling expenses can be provided by United Suriname Shipping on request.

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