



29 June 2010

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Delayed Northbound Voyage of the Sofrana Surville V163N/S.

Dear Valued Customers,

The Sofrana Surville V163N has encountered main engine problems en-route from Brisbane to Townsville. After drifting for a short period of time, temporary repairs were completed by the engineers, enabling the ship to proceed, albeit at reduced speed (9.5 knots) to Townsville.

She is scheduled to arrive in Townsville on Wednesday 30 June 2010 at 1100hours, some 2 days behind last week's schedule. The problem turned out to be a faulty seal affecting distribution of the lube oil to the main engine. Spare parts have now been sourced from Europe and are scheduled to arrive by air in Townsville on Wednesday 30 June.

Repairs are expected to take 12-18 hours, though no further time should be lost, as the cargo operations will take place concurrently with the repairs. Whilst we will be doing our utmost to make up lost time, realistically we do not anticipate this will be possible during the remainder of V163N.

Her revised scheduled dates are:

Port Moresby:	Sat	03/07
Lae:	Tue	06/07
Lihir:	Sat	10/07
Honiara:	Tue	13/07
Port Vila:	Fri	16/07
Tauranga:	Tue	20/07

We do sincerely apologise for the delay to the delivery of your valuable cargo, but rest assured every effort is been made to minimise the same. Thank you for your valued and on going support.

Your faithfully

Sofrana Unilines NZ Ltd.