CLARIFICATION OF CARGO HANDLING CHARGES ON EMPTY CONTAINERS AT BATANGAS CONTAINER TERMINAL, PORT OF BATANGAS, PHASE II

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To avert possible confusion as regards the assessment on empty containers which pass through the Batangas Container Terminal (BCT), Port of Batangas-Phase II, the following clarification is hereby issued for the guidance of all concerned.

The existing schedule of cargo handling rates for import and export cargoes passing through the BCT does not contain any rate for arrastre services on empty containers.

No arrastre* fees, therefore, shall be charged on empty containers, whether these are considered part of vessels gears or as export or import cargoes.

In view of the handling services rendered on empty containers, stevedoring** fees shall be charged for such handling services as contained in the schedule of cargo handling tariff at BCT, Port of Batangas, Phase II.

For guidance and compliance.

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* cargo charge as reflected in the BCT tariff
** vessel charge as indicated in the BCT tariff

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