



STATEMENT OF JOHN J. NARDI, PRESIDENT
NEW YORK SHIPPING ASSOCIATION
December 3, 2013

“Today the Board of Directors of the New York Shipping Association (NYSA) met for its regularly scheduled quarterly Board meeting.

The NYSA membership is comprised of all ocean carriers whose vessels call at the Port of New York and New Jersey and the terminal operator employers who handle their cargo.

At this meeting the Board again unanimously affirmed its support of the complaint filed last week against the Waterfront Commission of New York Harbor.

Earlier this year, the NYSA members negotiated a groundbreaking collective bargaining agreement, designed to improve productivity and allow the Port of NY&NJ to compete in the global market in the Post Panamax era as well as today. Significant effort continues to be made by the membership to ensure the agreement’s successful implementation.

Any suggestion, by any party, that the NYSA does not represent the best interests of its membership reflects a lack of understanding of the priorities of the shipping industry and the economic engine it powers.

NYSA will continue with this focus on improving productivity and maintaining the region’s competitiveness until our contract is fully implemented.”

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