



## From The Editor

The U.S. Meat Export Federation is projecting record volume for pork exports from the United States to Japan in 2011, where a current marketing campaign is promoting sandwiches made with U.S. pork to commuters. More than a quarter of total U.S. pork production was exported in November 2011, and the industry is on pace to set a record for value of exports as well. Beef exports had a good year too, the organization has said. How did your sector do last year? What do you anticipate for the coming months? Share your thoughts in the JOC Sailings group on [LinkedIn](#).

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### Customs Brokers Take Clean Truck Fee Complaints to FMC

Cargo interests and customs brokers complained to the Federal Maritime Commission that trucking companies in Los Angeles-Long Beach are still charging a clean-truck fee even though the ports stopped collecting the fee Jan. 1.

### Hapag-Lloyd To Launch New California - Central America Service

Hapag-Lloyd has announced plans for a new weekly fixed day service between Southern California, Mexico, and Central America.

### Lithuanian Port Forges Ties with with Virginia, Philadelphia Port Authorities

The Lithuanian port of Klaipeda is looking to increase its role in international shipping via agreements with two U.S. port authorities.

### CMA CGM Announces Rate Increases in Several Trade Lanes

CMA CGM Group has announced a variety of rate increases scheduled for implementation over the next several weeks in a number of trade lanes.



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## Additional News

### Ports

Container Traffic at South Korea's Busan Rose 14 Percent

National Strike Brings Antwerp Port to Standstill

Greece's Piraeus Nearly Doubled Container Traffic in 2011

SC House Votes to Block Savannah Port Dredging

Savannah To Switch to Electric-Powered Cranes

Charleston Container Traffic Rises 2.4 Percent

Philadelphia Sees Strong Container, Auto Traffic Growth

Cargo Volume Climbs 31% at Port of Cleveland

French Ports Push Unified Seine Logistics Corridor

### Carriers

MSC To Raise Rates from the United States to the West Coast of South America

Hapag-Lloyd To Revise Demurrage Charges for Baltimore

Three Carriers Begin Joint Asia-Middle East Service

Crowley Launches LCL Service from Houston to Puerto Rico

APL Raises India to Europe, Mediterranean Rates

Emirates Shipping To Raise East Africa Rates

Rickmers-Linie Partners with United Africa Feeder Line for East Africa Shipments

CSAV Raises Rates from India, Middle East

Sea Star To Stop Providing Chassis in the Northeastern United States

Hapag-Lloyd To Hike Rates on Far East Services

Asia-Europe Spot Rates Fall 2.6 Percent

MSC Shuffles U.S. East Coast Port Calls on Far East Service

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