

= Circular of T. S. Lines Legal Dept dated 20th Feb of 2019=

Surrender full set of OB/L at port of discharging for exchanging D/O

Dear All,

In 2017 and 2018, China Government Authorities conducted several investigations against all carriers, include T.S. Lines, about local exporters used forged OB/Ls to defraud cargo export tax. Given that, we are currently researching the technology of anti-counterfeiting for issuing OB/L and planning to use said technology in the third quarter of 2019. In addition, a new SOP of collecting one set of three copies of OB/L in exchange of D/O is in force from 1/1/2019. To facilitate the implement of this new SOP, Legal Dept. set out following procedures and clarifications, and hereby urge you to comply with and inform all clients to cooperate as well.

1. Please inform our clients to surrender one set of three copies of OB/L at port of discharge to exchange Delivery Order.
2. One of full set of OB/L shall be properly endorsed.
3. If for L/C purpose, please request the bank to issue a “Statement” clarifying where and by whom have the rest OBL on hand.
4. If for filing purpose, please request the party who intend to keep one or two copies of OB/L to issue a “Statement” clarifying where and by whom have the rest OBL on hand.
5. If OB/L are collected by local Customs, please request the consignee or cargo receiver to issue a “Statement” clarifying the fact.
6. Please be noted that the above “Statement” is not a LOI but simply to explain the related facts so to moderate control our OB/L.
7. Draft statement is attached herewith for all parties’ reference and disposal.

If have any question, please feel free to contact Legal Dept.

NOTE: New type of OB/L with anti-counterfeiting technology and QR code is scheduled to use in the third quarter of 2019. We will later make an announcement when it comes into force.

Statement

To : T. S. Lines Ltd. / T. S. Lines Co, Ltd, / T.S. Lines (JAPAN) Ltd., and their agents at POD

Vessel / Voyage :

POL / POD:

B/L No.:

Shipper:

Consignee:

To whom it may concern,

The undersigned, _____, are **the shipper/consignee/the bank(please choose one)** of the above shipment. Due to the requirement of **documents filing / LC transaction / Custom's collection**, ____ of the full set OB/L are possessed by **the shipper/consignee/the bank/ local Customs (please choose one)** , rest ____ of full set OB/L is hereby submitted to you in exchange of Delivery Order.

Company:

Name & Title:

Contact:

(please sign and seal)

Date: