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Dear Sirs

Rule 12g3-2 Exemptions for American Depository Receipts ("ADR") Neptune Orient Lines Limited File No. 82-2605

NOL has today made an announcement in relation to the NOL Operating Performance for Period 1, 2010. Attached is a copy of the announcement for your attention, please.

Yours faithfully

Wong Kim Wah (Ms) Company Secretary

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NOL OPERATING PERFORMANCE FOR PERIOD 1, 2010

Description

Attached is the operating performance for the 6 weeks (Period 1) from 26 December 2009 to 5 February 2010.

Attachments

NOL_Operating_Performance_for_P1_2010.pdf

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Monthly Operational Update (Unaudited)



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NOL's container shipping operating performance for the 6 weeks (Period 1) from 26 December 2009 to 5 February 2010 are as follows:

Co	ntaine <u>r Shipping</u>
a)	Volume (FEU)
b)	Average Revenue Per FEU (US\$/FEU)

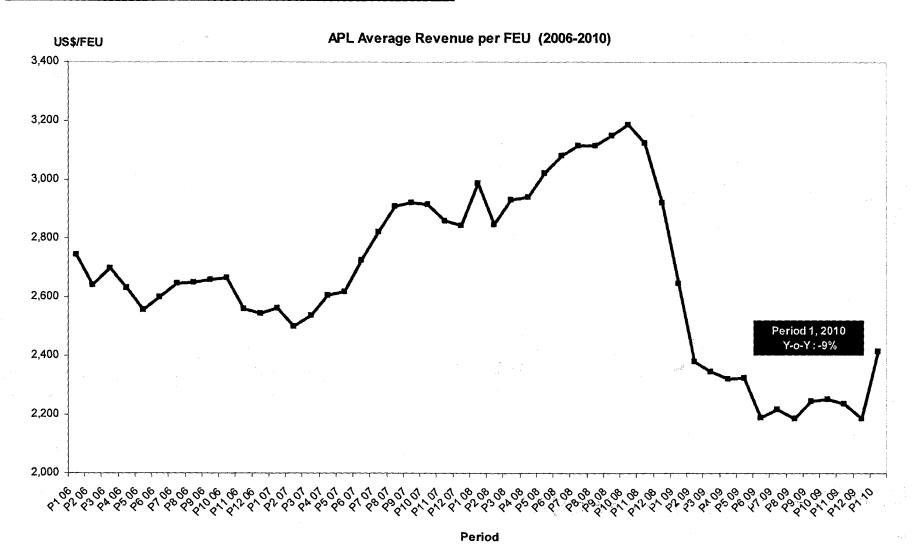
Period 1,	Period 1,	%
2010	2009	Change
307,400	188,400	63
2,417	2,646	(9)

For the six weeks of P1 2010, container shipping volumes increased 63% while average revenue per FEU (Forty-foot Equivalent Unit) declined 9% over the same period last year. The improvement in volume was due to higher volumes lifted in all trade lanes and stronger pre-Chinese New Year shipments. Lower average revenue per FEU YoY was due to lower core freight rates, particularly on the Transpacific and changes in trade mix, partially offset by improvements in Asia Europe rates.

P1 2010 average revenue per FEU improved by 10% compared to P12 2009, due to increased freight rates on key trade lanes and the implementation of the Emergency Revenue Charge on the Transpacific on 15 January 2010.

Note: Period 1 and Period 12 comprise 6 weeks per period while Periods 2 to 11 comprise 4 weeks per period.

APL Average Revenue per FEU (updated as at Period 1, 2010)



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