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## **Inspections of Hazardous Shipments at Various Ports**

Dear Valued Customer,

As part of our responsibility in environmental stewardship and for compliance with environmental laws, Young Brothers requires shippers of hazardous material ("hazmat") cargo to comply with federal hazardous materials regulations, found at Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Parts 171 to 185. In furtherance of this end, (1) the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) and United States Coast Guard (USCG) periodically inspect hazmat cargo shipped through Young Brothers for compliance with Title 49 CFR, (2) Young Brothers trains employees on proper hazmat procedures and shipper compliance with federal law (which currently includes working with a hazmat consulting company to train and assist employees with hazmat handling and inspections procedures at all of our ports), and (3) Young Brothers does not accept hazmat cargo for shipment if it fails to comply with Title 49 CFR.

Compliance with this federal law begins with the shipper ensuring that all hazmat cargo delivered to a Young Brothers facility is properly packaged, marked and labeled, and accompanied by a hazardous materials shipping certification, completed as required under federal law per Title 49 CFR standards. If your cargo or its documentation does not comply with applicable law, Young Brothers will not accept your cargo.

If you are a hazardous materials shipper, the USCG requires all persons handling your hazmat shipments (*e.g.*, you, your agent, your trucker) to be trained on handling and transporting hazmat cargo. Specifically, you as the shipper are responsible for being certified on federal requirements for handling, stowing, and transporting hazmat, or working with an agent who is certified. To avoid any shipping delays, shippers should regularly review their hazmat procedures with personnel to confirm they are properly trained.

Our website provides basic instructions on how to complete hazardous materials shipping papers, including a link to the current form that you must use. Go to <u>www.youngbrothershawaii.com</u>, and click on *"Ship Goods,"* then *"Hazardous Materials."* 

Please direct specific questions about your hazmat cargo to its manufacturer or distributor, FMCSA, USCG, and/or a hazmat shipping expert. These training resources may also be useful:

- U.S. DOT Pipeline & Hazardous Materials Safety Administration <u>https://hazmatonline.phmsa.dot.gov/services/</u>
- o National Cargo Bureau Inc. <u>http://www.natcargo.org/</u>
- Dangerous Goods International Training Center <u>http://dgitraining.com/</u>
- o Lion Technology Inc. Hazmat Training http://www.lion.com/Catalog/DOTtraining.asp
- o Marine Cargo Surveys of Hawaii <u>http://www.mcshawaii.com/index.php</u>

We provide these references in this letter and on our website solely as a courtesy. It is your responsibility, as a hazmat shipper, to determine the training, resources, and processes you need to comply with the law.

Mahalo for your understanding and cooperation on these important matters of environmental stewardship and compliance with environmental laws.

Sincerely,

/s/ Matthew J. Humphrey Matthew J. Humphrey Vice President and General Manager