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**SECURITY SURCHARGE**

- (A) A security surcharge, as described in this tariff item, shall be assessed against and collected from all vessels, barges and cargo interests utilizing services or facilities of the Port Authority in accordance with the notice filed with the Federal Maritime Commission by the Gulf Seaports Marine Terminal Conference.

The security surcharge is assessed to recover costs incurred for security assessments, security plans, equipment purchase, installation and maintenance and staffing required to implement and maintain surveillance and access controls mandated by the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 and U.S. Coast Guard regulation 33 CFR 105.

The security surcharge will be assessed against vessels and barges as a percentage of total dockage charged, and as a tonnage fee against cargo, with the exception of containers, which will be assessed on a per unit basis. The security surcharge will be assessed in addition to all other fees which may be due under this tariff as follows:

**VESSELS and BARGES;** 9.25% of total dockage assessed per port call

**CARGO (to be billed to the party paying wharfage):**

- Break-bulk           \$ .195 per ton
- Bulk                   \$ .045 per ton
- Liquid bulk           \$ .045 per ton
- Containers           \$ 4.09 per loaded box
- Vehicles              \$ 1.00 per vehicle

Users of Port Authority services or facilities, who withhold, refuse or otherwise fail to pay properly assessed security surcharges, shall be subject to the provisions contained in Rules 055 and 060 of this tariff. Additionally, at the sole discretion of the Port Authority, such users may be denied service or required to deposit estimated port charges in advance of using port authority facilities or receiving services.