



# Precautionary measures against COVID-19 at PLIPDECO's facilities

In light of the developments of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Corporation places significant emphasis on the health/safety and wellbeing of all our valued stakeholders. Based on the Ministry of Health's guidelines, PLIPDECO's Management has implemented several preventative measures in an attempt to mitigate the risk of the spread of the virus to stakeholders.

Some of these initiatives are outlined below:

- Additional reporting requirements for vessels have been implemented which includes further details on ports of calls of vessels and countries visited by crew-members. This is in addition to measures already implemented by Immigration and Port Health;
- The reduction of the number of customers that would be facilitated at the LCL Warehouse;
- Utilisation of the appointment system by NVOCCs to facilitate forty (40) appointments per day;
- Customers are being required to utilise as much as possible available online processing services such as taking advantage of online payment options;
- Reduced number of face-to-face meetings to only ones that are absolutely necessary;
- Utilisation of online meeting software in lieu of face-to-face meetings;
- Instituted a work from home arrangement for non-operational staff;
- Implementation of a companywide SMS Group so that group updates on COVID-19 can be provided quickly to staff;
- Resumption of HSE Orientation via online meeting software;
- Sanitization measures throughout the Corporation;
- Use of face masks while on PLIPDECO's compound;
- Reconfiguration of work spaces with sneeze guards;
- The introduction of Fluke 568 IR Thermometers to ascertain the temperature of all stakeholders accessing the Port, PLIPDECO House, CES and LCL Warehouse areas.



PLIPDECO also recognized the economic impact this situation placed on the business sector and had waived storage rent for containers, general cargo and warehouse cargo to importers and exporters for the period March 20<sup>th</sup> 2020 until April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The Corporation had also offered three (3) additional rent free days to the existing five (5) free business days for the period May 1<sup>st</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020. This was applicable to full import containers, import general cargo and storage rent at the LCL Warehouse for import cargo.

The Corporation looks forward to working collectively with the various stakeholders as we navigate a most difficult and challenging time for businesses and the economy.