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U.S.-Flag Cargo Movement on Lakes in November Down 3.7 Percent

CLEVELAND — U.S.-flag Great Lakes freighters (lakers) moved 8.3 million tons of cargo in November, a decrease of 3.7 percent. The November float was also 3.3 percent below the month's 5-year average.

Iron ore cargos for steel production totaled 4.5 million tons, a decrease of 2.9 percent compared to a year ago.

Coal loads totaled 1 million tons, a decrease of 18.4 percent from a year ago. Shipments of aggregate, fluxstone, chemical stone and scrubber stone totaled 2.3 million tons, a virtual repeat of a year ago.

Year-to-date U.S.-flag cargo movement stands at 83.2 million tons, an increase of 10.6 percent compared to the same point in 2018. Iron ore cargos total 44.9 million tons, an increase of 10.5 percent. Coal loadings total 10.5 million tons, an increase of 2.1 percent. Limestone totals 23.3 million tons, an increase of 13 percent compared to a year ago.

About Lake Carriers' Association

Since 1880, Lake Carriers' has represented the U.S.-flag Great Lakes fleet, which today can move more than 90 million tons of cargos annually that are the foundation of American industry, infrastructure, and power: iron ore, stone, coal, cement, and other dry bulk materials such as grain, salt, and sand. More information is available at www.lcaships.com.

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