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Great Lakes Iron Ore Trade Up 29.6 Percent in March

CLEVELAND – Iron ore shipments on the Great Lakes totaled 1.3 million tons in March, an increase of 29.6 percent compared to a year ago. However, loadings trailed the month's 5-year average by 5.5 percent.

Year-to-date the iron ore trade stands at 3.1 million tons, a decrease of 9.1 percent. Iron ore shipments are 10.7 percent behind their 5-year average for the first three months of the year.

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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