6th May 1998

## TO ALL MEMBERS

Dear Sirs.

## CLASS 8 FREIGHT, DEMURRAGE & DEFENCE SUPPLEMENTARY AND RELEASE CALLS

At its meeting on 29th April 1998, the Committee reviewed the financial position of the Class, including each open year, and concluded that the Class continues to be financially healthy. The Committee also decided that the optimum calling philosophy which has applied to the P&I Class throughout this decade should now also be adopted for the FD&D Class. Progressively, therefore, Supplementary Calls will be levied earlier than hitherto, so that by August 1999 Supplementary Calls for P&I and FD&D will be payable simultaneously.

The Committee therefore resolved that the final Supplementary Calls for both 1995/96 and 1996/97 would be levied for payment in August 1998 at the originally estimated figure of 30%. In each case the Release Call rate will remain at 50% until the Supplementary Call has been debited when it will reduce to 20%. It is anticipated that the Committee will resolve in October 1998 to close the 1995/96 Policy Year with effect from February 1999, and that 1996/97 will be closed a year later.

The Supplementary Calls for 1997/98 and 1998/99 will be levied for payment in August 1999. In each case the original Supplementary Call estimate of 30% and Release Call rate of 50% will remain unchanged.

These decisions are summarised in the following table:

Policy		Dates Supp.	Original Dates	<b>Dates Policy Years</b>
Year	Supp. Call	Call now to	Supp. Calls	Expected
		be levied	to be levied	to Close
1995/96	30%#	August 1998	August 1998	February 1999
1996/97	30%#	August 1998	August 1999	February 2000
1997/98	30%*	August 1999	August 2000	February 2001
1998/99	30%*	August 1999	August 2001	February 2002

<sup>#</sup> Supplementary Call now authorised by Committee

Yours faithfully, A.BILBROUGH & CO. LTD. (MANAGERS)

<sup>\*</sup> Estimated Supplementary Call