

Speaking Engagements | June 24, 2025 | 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM ET

Strafford Presentation: USTR Final Action on Port Entry Fees for Chinese-Operated, -Owned, and -Built Vessels; Non-U.S. Built Vehicle Carriers

Virtual

SPEAKERS

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Tuesday, June 24 • 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. ET

This CLE webinar will discuss the recent action of the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) concerning U.S. port entry fees with respect to Chinese-operated, -owned, and -built vessels and non-U.S. built vehicle carriers, which is expected to affect all businesses up and down the supply chain in every industry that relies on international shipping. The panel will review the action's requirement that an increasing percentage of U.S. LNG maritime exports take place using U.S.-built, -flagged and -operated vessels. The panel will review the action, the basis for the action, how the USTR's action differs from its earlier proposed action, the important issues not addressed by the USTR's action, the action's relation to Executive Order No. 14269 on "Restoring America's Maritime Dominance" and the recently proposed SHIPS for America Act, who will bear the cost of the new port service fees, and how shipowners, charterers, operators, freight forwarders and shippers, and the LNG shipping and U.S. shipbuilding industries, are responding to the USTR's action.

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