

Gdynia, 14.10.2021

Dear Clients and Partners,

In reference to our previous notification dated 26.08.2021 concerning renovation works on routing Frankfurt/Oder – Poznań., we feel obligated to inform you, that line 3 of Polish railway, is still partly closed, seriously affecting our service.

Currently one rail path is closed between Nowy Tomyśl and Zbąszyń resulting in single-track traffic both ways – east/bound and west/bound. This is the main reason of latest delays and will last at least till the end of October, with possibility of extending if necessary.

Additionally, several stations on the routing mentioned above are being closed selectively, resulting in further congestion. Final deadline for stations' renovations is, unfortunately, unknown and communicated to us only by reports via Polish Rail Management's (PLK) system.

As line 3 is main railway connecting Poland with Germany, all above mentioned situations have direct impact on our connections in West <-> East corridor. This means trains from Kutno and Poznań to Frankfurt/Oder, Rotterdam, Duisburg and Antwerp, and v.v.

Furthermore, it has also indirect negative affect on trains going from Gliwice and Brzeg Dolny to Frankfurt/Oder and Hamburg, as those often need to be stopped due to congested Oderbrücke region.

All this results in serious delays as trains are not able to arrive to planned terminals on time for loading/unloading slots. In most serious cases trains need to be cancelled to avoid increasing of delays, creating backlog of units on terminals with next planned departures being overbooked.

The aforementioned reconstructions are intended to implement new rail traffic management system which should improve transit time and safety of rail transport in the future.

We appreciate your patience and understanding in this difficult time. Please be assured that we make every effort to minimize any negative effects of mentioned modernizations. Any further delays and changes will be communicated by our Customer Service Team as soon as possible.

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