NOTE OF PROTEST

Name of Ship: M/V ULF RITSCHER
Flag: Germany / Hamburg
IMO #.: 9226413
Manager: Transeste Schiffahrt GmBH, Hamburg

To: NuStar Energy Services, Inc.
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Dear Sirs,

Note of Protest for bunkering operation on the 21th of June 2013

This is to record that the a.m. stated Supplier failed to comply with the MARPOL Annex VI requirement as follows:

The representative fuel sample taken simultaneously with the onboard MARPOL sample has been tested by DNV Petroleum Services with the result as per the attached copy of the fuel quality test report. The report indicates that:

- the sulphur level in the fuel supplied exceeds 1.00% above the declared sulphur content in the supliers Bunker Delivery Note.

The bunkers were supplied by Bunker Barge JDRF-22 on the 21th of June 2013 at HOUSTON

I hereby lodge a protest to reserve rights for any future consequences on this matter.

Yours faithfully,

Lutz Maschke..... 28th of June. 2013
Name and Signature of Cheng. Date

M/V "ULF RITSCHER"
Master

Frank Thielicke.....
Name and Signature of Master of Vessel