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## Rhine bridge between Neuss and Düsseldorf

Dear Customers,

We hereby inform you that the Rhine bridge between Düsseldorf and Neuss is currently no longer drivable for heavy goods transportation.

The Josef-Kardinal-Frings Bridge ("South Bridge"), which provides a direct link between the port locations of Neuss and Düsseldorf, has been reduced to a permissible total weight of 7.5 tons since October 11.

For us, this means a closure of this important and shortest connection to Düsseldorf and many other routes on the left bank of the Rhine. The measure was initiated by the authorities because, in addition to the renovation work already underway, further serious damage was discovered during bridge inspections.

It is currently not possible to predict how long the restriction on the Josef-Kardinal-Frings Bridge will remain in place.

This means that many loading-/unloading places can no longer be reached directly, resulting in longer detours and additional time.

We are unable to compensate the additional costs (additional kilometers) resulting from this measure and must therefore pass these on to you in accordance with Map & Guide.

For new inquiries, we would like to point out that this bridge closure for heavy goods transport may affect the prices and we will take this into account accordingly in our offer.

Thank you for your understanding.

With kind regards,

Optimodal Nederland B.V.

