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Welcome Message

Welcome to the April newsletter for the clients and friends of SCI Australia. This newsletter is designed to be an informative source about the company and the general industry and includes news, forthcoming events and the lighter side of the people who work for SCI .

We hope that you find this newsletter beneficial and the information provided of great value and interest. We appreciate your suggestions and input for future issues.



Victorian Congestion

“Congestion is forecast to cost the Victorian economy \$6bn annually by 2020 unless we take steps to address it,” Mr Donnellan stated, adding that there is a need to “ensure that responsibility for a whole-of-government approach is assigned to a single agency”.

Due to both Patrick and DP World indicating that there is potential to increase the container throughput at Swanson Dock to about 4m teu, the minister said that the number of truck visits to Swanson Dock could increase to around 12,000 per day.

“What’s needed is a major road project that will reduce truck use in the inner west, improve access to the Port of Melbourne and ease congestion on the West Gate Bridge,” the minister said.

The West Gate Distributor project will include widening Shepherd Bridge over the Maribyrnong River to six lanes, a Whitehall Street duplication between Francis Street and Somerville Road, a new cycle and pedestrian path, the construction of an elevated road along Hyde Street, new on-and-off ramps to the West Gate Freeway, and altering Moreland Street to become a two-way system.

Expressions of interest are being sought for the \$40m first stage of the project, which will also involve adding extra lanes at the intersection of Footscray Road and Moreland Street. Shortlisted contractors will take part in a request-for-tenders process in May and the contract will be awarded mid-year, with construction beginning before the year’s end



Case Of Interest

Electrolux Home Products Pty Ltd v Delap Impex Kft and Andras Paradi & Ors Federal Court of Australia Proceedings

No: NSD 844/2013 Trade Marks Act 1995 (Cth)

Electrolux Home Products Pty Ltd (**Electrolux**) is an Australian company belonging to the worldwide AB Electrolux (Sweden) group. It is the authorised exclusive user of various trademarks owned by AB Electrolux including the AEG Mark and the Electrolux Mark. Electrolux became aware that a company (Delap Impex Kft) and an individual (Andras Tamas Paradi) are engaged in the business of advertising household appliances manufactured outside of Australia bearing the AEG Mark and Electrolux Mark for sale in Australia, through the websites www.deluxeappliances.com.au and www.euappliances.com.

On 10 February 2015, the Federal Court of Australia granted an injunction and made orders, as per attached preventing Delap and Paradi from advertising, promoting or supplying any goods bearing the Electrolux or AEG Mark within Australia on the above websites, any other websites or by other means. Further orders made include:

1. Restraining the publishing of any warranties or manuals or other materials bearing the trademarks;
2. Restraining any actions by Delap and Paradi to represent that they are authorised re-sellers or suppliers of goods bearing the Electrolux Mark or the AEG Mark;
3. Preventing Delap and Paradi from delivering goods into Australia that bear the Electrolux Mark or AEG Mark.

If any freight forwarder provides or continues to provide any carrier services to Delap and Paradi for the purpose of exporting and importing household appliances bearing the AEG Mark or Electrolux Mark, following notice these orders, it will constitute an offence pursuant to section 150 and section 158 of the *Trade Marks Act 1994* (Cth).

How To Stop A Hitchhiking Stink Bug



The bug's ability to hitchhike in vehicles and planes has allowed it to spread rapidly to new areas. Since it was introduced to the US in the 1990s from native origins in Asia (notably China, Japan, and Korea), the bug has rapidly spread and is now a major agricultural pest in North America

Authorities have identified that similar significant risks exist for both Australia and New Zealand.

So what is so sinister about this little bug?

Adults generally feed on mature and immature fruit, while nymphs feed on leaves and stems as well as fruit. It severely disfigures fruit and renders it unmarketable, which results in control costs and production losses.

Above and beyond the agricultural and economic implications, we could all directly feel the threat of this public nuisance. While the bug is not a risk to human health, when disturbed or crushed it emits a characteristic, unpleasant and long-lasting odour.

The bug may also want to get to know you better by taking shelter within your home in large numbers and will result in damage to your beloved manicured garden and recreational areas.

A real threat exists that the bug may hitchhike from the US via international freight with a large number of interceptions being detected from the US port of Savannah.

Initial measures introduced have now been extended to all remaining US ports with the Department of Agriculture focussing on the importation of breakbulk and containerised vehicles, machinery, automotive parts and tyres.

The emergency measures deal with cargo in transit as well as treatment of cargo before shipped, certification requirements and on-arrival inspections.

To the credit of the department, it is continually reviewing appropriate responses to the threat and are maintaining close liaison with key stakeholders & Trade Alliance (FTA)

What is now clear is that this is not just a threat for this current period (October to April) – this seasonal pest will be with us at this time of year for the foreseeable future.

Four Carnival Australia Ships Will Deliver Humanitarian Aid To Cyclone-Ravaged Vanuatu.



Four Carnival Australia ships will deliver humanitarian aid to cyclone-ravaged Vanuatu. P&O Cruises' Pacific Dawn (IMO: 8521232) is expected to arrive in Port Vila on Wednesday, March 25 and become the first cruise ship carrying humanitarian aid to reach Port Vila since the cyclone disaster.

P&O Cruises' Pacific Pearl (IMO: 8611398) departed Sydney on Monday (March 23), and is due in Port Vila on Saturday (March, 28).

Working with not-for-profit organisation Save the Children, the Pacific Dawn and Pacific Pearl will be carrying food, bottled water and tarpaulins for shelter.

Carnival Australia chief executive Ann Sherry said the two immediate calls are for humanitarian purposes only but they will also enable Carnival's Vanuatu crew to make face-to-face contact with their families for the first time since the cyclone.

"We look forward to returning to Vanuatu on a regular basis because cruise tourism is so important to the economic wellbeing of the country and its people," Ms Sherry said.

Pacific Dawn will make its scheduled cruise calls to Noumea and Lifou on the way to Port Vila which remains in a state of emergency.

Passengers will not disembark in Port Vila and the vessels call will be limited to the few hours needed to unload the shipment of humanitarian aid.

Carnival Cruise Line's Carnival Legend (IMO: 9224726) arrived last week and delivered bottled water, a generator and other goods.

Carnival Spirit (IMO: 9188647) is also preparing to visit Vanuatu.

Carnival Australia ships will continue to carry aid shipments to Vanuatu as the country embarks on long-term construction.

Plans to hold benefit concerts on the P&O Cruises fleet are under way, with the proceeds going to Vanuatu relief.

The company's response involves a contribution of \$300,000 to Save the Children's relief efforts comprising \$150,000 from Carnival Australia and \$150,000 from Carnival Corporation chairman Micky Arison through his family foundation.

ASCIANO - Patrick's Port Botany Redevelopment Project

Asciano have advised that the redevelopment project will commence from the end of March, and once completed, is expected to provide improved service through increased capacities. In the lead up to the final cut-over for automation, there will be restricted capacity as construction work will take place in the midst of an operating terminal.

The cut over itself will see the Terminal operations ramping down operations from Thursday 26 March.

From Sunday 29 March the Terminal will be closed for 4 ½ days to allow for the final civil and systems works required for automation to be completed. Unfortunately, these activities cannot be carried out during operations.

Patrick's advise that the new automated terminal will go live from Thursday 2 April, followed by a ramp-up period.

It's recognized that there will be disruption during the period of change however Patrick's have assured OOCL that they will be doing everything they can to help mitigate any impact to all.

Due Diligence And Illegal Logging

The process for ensuring you have completed a due diligence program against your suppliers of timber or timber product has now been operable for 4 months.

There has been a further update put out from the Department of Agriculture with relation to the illegal logging legislation.

Country Specific Guideline have now been released for Malaysia, this bring the total list of country specific guidelines to 7, including Indonesia, New Zealand, Canada, Italy, Solomon Islands & Finland.

Further information can be found at:

<http://www.agriculture.gov.au/forestry/policies/illegal-logging/information-resources>

You will find a full list of acceptable documents and instruction here

Amended Department of Agriculture Regulations – Feathers and Products Containing Feathers

There has for quite some time been two different standards of documentation required when dealing with the importation of product incorporating feathers

This depends on whether the origin country of the feathers and or the exporting country of the commodity have been declared as HPAI (Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza) country by Quarantine.

This list has recently been amended, the updated list of HPAI countries:

Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Canada, China/Hong Kong, Egypt, Germany, Haiti, Hungary, India, Indonesia (including Bali), Iraq, Israel, Italy, Japan, Libya, Mexico, Nepal, Netherlands, Nigeria, North Korea (Democratic People's Republic Of Korea), Pakistan, Palestinian Authority (West), Russia, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Tibet, Taiwan (Chinese Taipei), United Kingdom, United States of America, Vietnam, Zimbabwe

The documentation standard for processing clearance of cargoes, through Australian Quarantine, from these countries, require consignment specific Government Certificates, or consignment specific Government endorsed manufacturing declarations.

These must attest that the feathers in the product have received one of the following treatments

iii) heated to a core** temperature of at least 100°C for a minimum of 30 minutes; or

iv) heated to a temperature of at least 120°C for a minimum of 30 minutes; or

v) washed thoroughly in detergent followed by formaldehyde fumigation (10% formalin) for 4 hours.

Further if the feathers are incorporated into product and exported from a country that was not the source country but is a HPAI country a further consignment specific Government certificate linking back to the source documents must be provided at the time of clearance.

If this is not possible the goods will be required to undergo either Gamma irradiation or Ethylene Oxide treatment in Australia.

Identifying Legal Timber From *Malaysia*

Legal requirements of timber harvesting in Malaysia

Any company or person wishing to take or remove timber from a forest area in Malaysia shall have a valid harvesting licence or forest timber licence, to be issued by the relevant state authority. Felled logs are inspected for royalty assessment and payments. All royalties assessed on logs shall be issued and accompanied with Removal Passes (or Exchange Removal Passes) to approved destinations.

The three regions have each compiled a list of timber species that shall be protected. A company or person issued with a valid harvesting licence or forest timber licence shall ensure that these protected species are retained after harvesting the licenced area. The lists can be found in the Country Specific Guideline for Malaysia.

Areas gazetted as Aboriginal Reserves, Aboriginal Areas, Communal Forests and any land subject to Native Customary Rights are excluded from the areas planned for harvesting, unless prior consent or approval has been obtained.

Exports of Malaysian timber and timber products

Any company or person engaged in the export of the regulated timber products (e.g. HS codes 44, 47, 48 and 94) must register with the relevant issuing authority and be issued with a Certificate of Registration. Registered companies or persons are allowed to export these products upon obtaining an Export Licence.

In Peninsular, the issuing authority is Malaysian Timber Industry Board (MTIB). In Sabah, the issuing authority is the Sabah Forestry Department (SFD). In Sarawak, the issuing authority is the Sarawak Timber Industry Development Corporation (STIDC).

Other requirements

All Malaysian timber processors and manufacturers are required to register with the relevant State authority.

For timber products listed by the Convention of International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES), a CITES export or re-export permit issued by MTIB for Peninsular and Sabah, and Forest Department Sarawak (FDS) for Sarawak, can be considered as having fulfilled the applicable national and CITES requirements.

If you are needing any further information on the above please contact your CSO

SCI Staff Birthdays

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Staff Years of Service at SCI Australia

A huge congratulations to Sharon Osborne. Sharon has been part of the SCI team for 3 years as our Customs Broker. We are looking forward to many more years.

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How is your Trivia Knowledge?

1. What is the highest grossing Australian movie?
2. In rhyming slang, if someone said they were going to have a 'bo-peep', what would they be doing?
3. What outback town's population swells from 120 to crowds of over 5000 for a racing carnival?
4. What Australian company is the largest surfwear manufacturer?
5. In what year was Advance Australia Fair proclaimed as the national anthem by the Governor-General

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Staff News

Staff Pet:

We would like to introduce you to Matilda.

Below is 2 of Kerryn's 3 babies. Matilda is 10 years old, and as you can see just want to be like the humans!!!



FEEDBACK


Should you wish to discuss any of the issues contained in this newsletter please contact your CSO or any of the people listed below;

Mile' Jurcic, Jeremy Nash, Emma Hrehoresin (Melbourne)
Mark Hingston (Brisbane)

Thank you for your continued support.
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Answers to our trivia questions -

1. Crocodile Dundee

2 .Having a sleep

3. Birdsville

4. Quicksilver

5. 1984