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## Altius Moves Large Molds for Eolic Blades

### The Transport from Aarhus to central Spain was challenging

GPLN member Altius Projects recently participated in the sea and land transport of molds for building eolic blades which are used in wind energy production.

"The transport took place from Aarhus, Denmark, to a new factory in the centre of Spain," said Enrique Rodriguez, the commercial manager for Altius. The cargo was a very unusual size with the length of

the molds at 46 meters and the width at 5.35 m.

"Due to the unusual size and shape, without a doubt the overland portion was much more difficult than the ocean part of the move," said Enrique Rodriguez, "Our discharge port was Bilbao in northeastern Spain and the final destination was in central Spain some 500 km away."



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## Precision, Safety and Execution – The Project Forwarder versus Race Car Driver!



Rohde & Liesenfeld Canada's President, Jan Beringer, decided it would be an interesting challenge to place his employees, major clients and key vendors into race cars and see if their performance attributes required to execute demanding projects successfully could benefit them in a race car environment.

Allen Berg, a former F1 race car driver, and now a professional race car driving instructor was chosen to run the one day program on August 29th, 2008 at Calgary's International Race City Speedway.

Participants Include project logistics personnel from project clients like: SNC Lavalin, Suncor, and Hitachi; vendors like CN Rail and Mullen, and Employees from R&L Canada's head office in Calgary.

Each participant will be given extensive classroom based driver training in the morning, then suited up with racing suit and helmet, and custom fitted into an Italian built Tatuus Fran-Am 1600 open wheel race car made of carbon fiber with manual 5 speed transmission and 200 KM/H top speed.

All cars are equipped with on-board cameras and computers allowing for detailed results of each participants performance on the track.

The results of this one day event will be published in the next GPLN newsletter.



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## A Word from Gary Dale...



Before you know it we will be in October again... Nearly one year on and we are going back to New Orleans for the BreakBulk Conference & Exhibition!

I don't think that I am the only one who knows that last year in New Orleans was a huge success for us. And we don't look for this year to be any different. The following month, in November, we will also be present at the 4th Trans Middle East 2008 Conference & Exhibition, which incidentally was last year held in Cairo, Egypt. Our participation at both of these events greatly raised our profiles and also led to many new partners in our groups. We are getting better and better at this.

This year we have hit the road more than we ever had, having already been to Kuala Lumpur for our own annual conference then going to the BreakBulk Europe and Transport Logistichina in Shanghai. And we have two more to go. Next year we will be hitting the road even harder with new transport events in Senegal, Singapore and Munich. And this is good. We are not only meeting many good companies but we are also learning how to present GPLN even better.

We are using our experience to evolve.

For example last year we tried something new: the GPLN exhibition materials. These have proven to be eye catching at our events, whether we are the organizer or not. This year we added a twist by creating a slide show from moves that you, the GPLN members, have done. And now we are working on the next level: Video. By our events in next spring GPLN will have a video presentation for all interested parties and prospects to see. Our evolution is gradual but it is steady.

And while I am discussing promoting GPLN members I would like to turn your attention to this very newsletter. I think many of you will also note that our newsletter is growing very healthily and getting better every issue. I know, I beat you guys up for material all of the time, but now it is coming. I not only have the fullest newsletter with the most stories that we have ever had, we have stories backed up from several of you for next issue even. I urge each and every one of you to use this newsletter as a tool to promote your company to a very targeted project cargo audience – which what it is meant to be.

And those of you who aren't doing this, well, you are missing out. When you read this newsletter just remember your story could have just as easily been where someone else's is. When you notice a GPLN partner's advertisement, well, your ad could have been in that space. Don't worry though. I will give you the chance to take part again.

Best regards,  
**Gary Dale Cearley**  
Executive Director  
Global Project Logistics Network (GPLN)

## Rohde & Liesenfeld Canada Move HDT Reactor in Japan



Calgary based GPLN member Rohde & Liesenfeld Canada can add another interesting move to their resume as they recently moved quite a bit of cargo for an HDT reactor in Japan.

R&L Canada organized the move of the reactor into storage into Hagashi Port, which was purchased by Canadian Natural Resources Ltd from Kobe / Kobelco Japan.

The total volume of the shipment was 3932 m3.

"This movement includes an ocean barge and ocean crane and available space at Hagashi Port," said Chris Best, Rohde & Liesenfeld's business development manager, "The supplier had completed the reactor ahead of schedule and the client had to move into storage."







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## CNC Freight Services Moves Gas Turbine Compressors to Indonesia



Port Klang based CNC Freight Services carried out a shipment of two units of gas turbine compressor packages on a complete door to door transportation from San Diego, California, including offloading at project site for The Gas Booster Station located at Jambi Province, located on the east coast of central Sumatra in Indonesia.

"We had to comply with all the stringent safety conditions set by the project owner in handling this shipment being oil & gas related plant," said Patrick Lee, managing director of CNC Freight Services.



The main compressor unit was 48.00 metric ton each and had dimensions of 12.45 m x 3.25 x 4.01 m.

"Due to lack of deep sea port the cargo has to be feedered by barge to the construction site jetty, near by to project site," said Patrick Lee, "The compressor unit was discharged using the RORO method, utilizing multi-axle hydraulic trailer. For the unloading of the cargo on site we used two 50 ton capacity cranes."



## 5K Logistics New Warehouse Facility

5K Logistics Inc is pleased to announce the completion of their new warehouse and distribution center in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

"This modern 30,000 sq ft warehouse is on 11 acres with the ability to expand to 90,000 sq ft," says Jessica Ulbrich of 5K Logistics, "This facility is located on the former Letterkenny Army Depot site, convenient to Route 81, the Pennsylvania Turnpike and Route 70 as well as three major airports and ports within a 125 mile radius."

In addition to CSX Rail access, this facility will also feature outside storage and a state-of-the-art security system. "We believe our current and future clients will benefit greatly from having a logistics company featuring ocean freight, airfreight, pick & pack, consolidation, documentation, etc.," added Jessica Ulbrich. "At 5K we have earned a reputation for responsiveness and superior customer service," says Paul McGrath, president of 5K

Logistics, "We adhere to the customer's transportation needs and standards. That, we believe, sets us apart from our competition. This facility will enhance our scope of services for all our customers."

5K's new facility will also feature a new General Purpose Foreign Trade Zone serving the greater Chambersburg area. "Shippers and manufacturers are able to benefit from this important federal program, which can help companies save money on customs duties / cash flow and improve their logistics chains," said Paul McGrath. Jessica Ulbrich also reminded us to save the date, September 12th, 2008, for the new warehouse's open house.

5K Logistics, Inc was founded in 1999 with headquarters in Warminster, Pennsylvania, near Philadelphia, with a second office since 2002 in Chambersburg, nearer to Baltimore. In addition, 5K has a 100,000 sq ft warehouse in Bensalem, PA.





## La Hanseatica Celebrates 55 Years Anniversary

La Haseatica just turned 55 years old and the management and staff of La Hanseatica celebrated the milestone in style.

"The party was in a restaurant about an hour east of Lima towards the Andes," said Luis Herrera of La Hanseatica, "We had a nice lunch, then we had a raffle and finally the party started with a band playing live for us."

Luis noted that not only was there On the other hand two important announcements will be made during the event:

The creation of Hansa Aduanas, the new customs broker house of the group, which recently began operations; and The creation of a new freight forwarding division in addition to Hansa Transports within La Hanseatica.

La Hanseatica is already involved in liner shipping, agency services, and freight forwarding in three companies: La Hanseatica, Hansa Transports and Hansa Servicios Maritimos.

GPLN congratulates Peruvian member La Hanseatica on their fifty-fifth year of operations!



## Alghanim Barwil Kuwait Moves the Goods for the Shuaiba North Power Plant Project

Alghanim Barwil Kuwait fixed the MV Hamra to carry 5,169 m3 of project cargo including three heavy lift gas turbines, weighing 278 mt each.



"This move was on behalf of General Electric for the Shuaiba North Power Plant," said Clive Figueiredo, business development manager for Alghanim Barwil Kuwait, "The cargo traveled all the way from the Port of Charleston in the USA to Shuaiba Port in Kuwait."

The Shuaiba North Power Plant Project is a task for the Kuwait Ministry of Electricity and Water.





## J. Martens Completes Deliveries for Aker Floating Production



Singapore GPLN member J. Martens (Asia-Pacific) Pte Ltd successfully completed a series of FPSO topside module transportations for Aker Floating Production's first ever conversion vessel project.

The 188,697 dwt tanker, S.T. Polar Alaska will be converted into a Floating Production Storage and

Offloading (FPSO) vessel for Aker Contracting FP AS. To be renamed FPSO Aker Smart 1, the vessel will upon completion, be chartered to Reliance Industry Limited for deployment in the MA D6 field along the eastern coast of India.

She is currently undergoing a conversion at Jurong Shipyard Pte Ltd, Singapore, and expected to be delivered by 3Q 2008.



"To date, J. Martens had transported 12 units of upper hull structures and modules namely Subsea Manifold Module, TEG Regeneration Module, helideck pad and supports, swivel stacks structure, living quarter structure, etc." said Martin Runshaug, J. Martens Singapore managing director, "These modules were transported from fabrication yards hailing from the Middle East, Thailand and Indonesia. The heaviest module weighed 745 tons."

Due to the different nature of the cargoes and jetty constraints, a combination of multi-axle trailers and floating cranes were deployed for the module load-outs.

"We are pleased to be part of this great project in successfully delivering all upper hull structures and modules which reinforces our position as a leading Project Forwarder within the Oil & Energy industries," said Martin Runshaug, "We have over the years built up unique expertise which our customers seem to appreciate."



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## Rolitrans Makes Difficult Overland Transport in Indonesia Look Simple

No doubt that different continents have different mindsets. And that includes when planning for overland transport.

When GE Aero designed its LM 2500 Gas Turbine to a trailer mounted version forthwith called TM 2500 it was intended as a fast reaction solution catering to power crisis's from American mine-mouths to the Olympic Games.

"The American transport philosophy to lengthen 'permit loads', in line with a wide and well developed road and access system, was in stark contrast to the Indonesian reality of deficient infrastructure in particular in the less developed areas of this country," said Stephan Bermann of Rolitrans International, "Nonetheless that's where electricity was and is required."

Where countries with developed infrastructure allow the relatively easy task in moving a 100 metric ton mobile power plant trailer stretching nearly 40 meters this very same task becomes a challenge in rural Indonesia

where main roads are at the level of unsealed roads in comparison and road stretches are so narrow that no two cars can pass side by side.



"Rolitrans International, Jakarta, is the only specialized forwarder who has moved TM's 2500 on three previous projects into Indonesia going as far as relocating resident's houses to deliver the cargo - on time and in perfect condition," added Stephan Bermann, "We are proud that Rolitrans International has been selected again to deliver another two sets TM 2500 to a remote location in east Kalimantan, Indonesia."

In another case of Rolitrans International performing above and beyond the call of overland transport duty, when an Indonesian consortium won a contract to supply 125 MW to the North Sumatra grid with a GE Frame 9E Gas Turbine it was one of their priorities to call in the experts to move this very high value piece of equipment.



A shipping contract signed with Rolitrans International, Jakarta earlier this year set the framework for a turnkey delivery of a complete power plant from Europe to the North Sumatra job-site. Stephan Bermann explained that the delivery involved the move of two heavy-lifts in the range of 203 to 215 metric tons up to the site's foundations along with other sizeable out-of gauge cargoes emanating from Europe and Asia.

Another well executed project under Rolitrans belt in this vast archipelago!



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## BDG International & Wirtz Shipping Cooperate on Siemens Cargo

Chicago based BDG International recently undertook a cargo move of cargo bound for Sterling, Louisiana, in the southern region of the United States with the origin at Geel, Belgium. The piece, which measured 19.2 m x 2.35 m x 2.6 m, a total of 115.32 m<sup>3</sup>, with a weight of 41 tons, was routed via the ports of Antwerp and Charleston in the US.



The cargo was a hydrothermal reactor for use in a wet air oxidation system that will ultimately be used in an ethylene refinery in Dubai. After the cargo is fitted into a larger system in the United States it will then travel to Dubai for installation. The system was sold by Siemens Water Technologies Corporation.

This cargo was not without unforeseen difficulties as the vessel sailing was delayed due to heavy weather. But things did come off smoothly in the end.

"BDG has been working closely with GPLN member Wirtz Shipping in Antwerp to arrange this shipment," said Bengt Anderson, president of BDG International, "We thank Wirtz Shipping for doing an excellent job arranging the European transportation leg,"



## TPI Gets Plenty of Greek Work



Recently Transport Paris International (TPI) has had some interesting moves from various western European locations to Greece.



One such job was 15 modules from 110 to 170 tons each with a total 2258 tons and over 5121 m<sup>3</sup>. This cargo traveled from Portugal to Thessaloniki, Greece.

Another job saw them ship nearly 1069 m<sup>3</sup> and 672 tons from both Antwerp and Rotterdam to Thessaloniki and Milaki in Greece. "This particular cargo was transferred by floating crane and pontoon from Antwerp to Rotterdam prior to shipment to Greece," said Alexandre Ferrus, project manager at TPI.

## Coli Shipping & Titan Project Services Team Up for Move



Once again Coli Shipping (S) Pte Ltd and Titan Project Services (S) Pte Ltd teamed up to carry out the successful delivery operations

"This transport is for a shipment of oil rig machinery by National Oilwell Vargo for Maersk Contractors (OFE) which is for a new rig being built by Keppel FELS Singapore," said Karamjeet Singh of Titan Logistics.

The equipment shipped out from Rotterdam, Aabenraa and Kristiansand by SAL new building MV Anne-Sofie on her maiden voyage with a total of 5,800 cbm.



Heaviest pieces were two crown mounted compensators. One measured 13.5 m x 9.7 m x 14.2 m with a volume of 1,859.5 m<sup>3</sup> and a weight of 120 mt. The second measured 14.7 m x 9.7 m x 14.2 m with a volume of 2,025 m<sup>3</sup> and a weight of 146.5 mt. There was also two of 44 m length and 4 packages exceeding 22 m length.

"All were received onto two barges over side in Jurong Port," said Karamjeet Singh, "they were then lashed and securely moved to a private jetty for unloading using both a floating crane and shore crane for final delivery."

## New Members Since the Last Newsletter

- AFL Dachser Pvt Ltd – India (Mumbai)
- AlfaLogistics – Russia (Moscow)
- Aquarius Maritime Pvt Ltd – India (Mumbai)
- Bar Baran Iran International Forwarders & Shipping – Iran (Tehran)
- Europe Cargo – Belgium (Antwerp)
- Luis A. Ayala Colón Sucrs. Inc. – United States (Puerto Rico)
- Société Maritime Genmar – Tunisia (Tunis)
- Trans-Trading Group – Germany (Hamburg)
- UTM Projects & Logistics Pty Ltd – Australia (Brisbane)
- Wilhelmsen Ships Service – Saudi Arabia (Dammam)



## Flinter Agencies NV: A New Shipping Agency in Antwerp

The Flinter Group has a new member company, Flinter Agencies, which has taken over the activities and staff of Detlef von Appen (Benelux) BVBA in Antwerp.

This means that the break bulk liner services of Appenship, from Europe to Southeast Asia, and Venbulk Service which has services from Europe to Central America, will be continued under this new agency. Flinter Agencies will also run the break bulk service of Baker Shipping Line to the North of Brazil and the services of the Flinter Group (Netherlands) with its break bulk services to the East Coast of the USA, the Great Lakes and Montreal as well as the Flinter Group's short sea services in Europe and the Mediterranean.

"Flinter Shipping as freight forwarding company is still dealing with iron and steel, especially imports from the Far East, Brazil and South Africa, transshipments and exports of project cargo, steel and chemicals to worldwide destinations," said Ronny Mampaey of Flinter Agencies, "We will also handle any port-agency for their liner- and tramping vessels, brokerage / chartering, project shipments, deep sea and short sea services and representation of ship-owners, etc."

The Flinter Group owns more than 40 modern, multipurpose vessels, mostly geared and ice-classed, with a total capacity of more than 175,000 dwt for the deep sea and short sea.

Another 25 new build vessels will be delivered within a short time. The brokerage department specializes in chartering vessels between 1000 and 40,000 dwt.



## Oceanbridge Shipping Assists in Returning Groupama 3 Home

When the Round the World record chasing Groupama 3 trimaran flipped 80 miles off the coast of Dunedin, in the South Island of New Zealand, Oceanbridge Shipping were quickly onto the case to assist in getting her home to France.



Being a keen yachtsman himself, Richard Thorpe, the Projects and Marine Manager at Oceanbridge Shipping Ltd was aware of the record breaking attempt being made by the crew on Groupama. Only 23 days earlier they had left the English Channel but disaster struck. The day before the 35.5 m trimaran had changed course to come North out of the Southern Ocean to avoid a front carrying 50 knot winds.

"There was a catastrophic failure on in the port hull causing the trimaran to flip over," said Richard Thorpe, "Luckily, being within helicopter distance the crew were safely winched on board and taken to Dunedin leaving the upside down trimaran afloat in the ocean."

Within hours Oceanbridge Shipping had made contact with the decision makers of "Groupama 3" in France and were working on possible options to ship the damaged trimaran back to L'Orient, France. Even before the trimaran was successfully towed, still upside down, into Dunedin Harbor, they had organized a suitable vessel that would call Dunedin and L'Orient specifically for this cargo.

Once the marine surveyor had given the go ahead to ship her home the contract was signed with shipping line and plans made for their vessel to deviate into Dunedin from New Plymouth while the recently arrived shore crew began to prepare her for the journey home.



At 35.5 m long and 20.7 wide, where she was still intact, there was a lot of preparation to be done to ensure a safe lift and organize suitable securing points and blocks for the long voyage home as well as preparing to unload her temporarily in Tauranga while the vessel loaded other cargo for Europe.



## Rolitrans Welcomes Expatriate Project Manager



In its never ending effort to further professionalize its services Rolitrans International in Jakarta, Indonesia, recently welcomed Greg Norrish as a Project Manager on their team. Greg Norrish hails from Perth, Australia and packs 20 years of heavy haulage and site management operations in Australia.

"We entrusted Greg Norrish with his first project, a Siemens Power Plant in South Sulawesi, a week

after he first set foot in our office," said Stephan Bermann, a director of Rolitrans, "Greg started to learn the ropes of doing business Indonesian style. Three months later he can proudly say 'mission accomplished'."

We welcome Greg Norrish aboard the Rolitrans Project Team!

## BRI and AM de Proyectos Cooperate on Windmills

Belville Rodair recently handled a wind project in Hungary for fellow GPLN partner in Barcelona, Agencia Maritima de Proyectos.



"Cargos are coming from Spain, shipped by vessel to Antwerp then barged by Agencia Maritima de Proyectos to Gonyu port on the Danube in Hungary,"

explained Paul Moldovan, Belville Rodair's CEE regional manager, "There I handled the offloading, storage, shipping to a new windmill park that is being built in West Hungary, the Movar Wind Farm."

"This project consists in foundation rings for new windmills, blade cages to replace older damaged blades, etc.," said Paul Moldovan, "Everything went well and we are looking forward to new shipments of windmill parts for this wind park that is under construction during 2008 and 2009."

Paul Moldovan worked with Manuel Lama of Agencia Maritima de Proyectos's Barcelona office. The two parties are hoping there will be even more cooperation to come as Paul Moldovan also visited Agencia Maritima de Proyectos's Bilbao office on a sales call earlier this year for some business he was quoting from that region.

## Wilhelmsen Ships Service Has New Riyadh Sales Manager



Russell Dinwoodie, Business Development Manager Wilhelmsen Ships Service announces that the company has taken on a new sales manager in their Riyadh operation.

"We are happy to have Mr. Shafiq Khan join our company," reported Dinwoodie, "Shafiq has a solid track record in Saudi Arabia already with seven years with Expeditors and two years with Agility. We know he will produce good project cargo results for Wilhelmsen."

## Upcoming GPLN Meetings & Events

**19<sup>th</sup> Annual Breakbulk Transportation Conference & Exhibition**  
October 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
Ernest N. Morial Convention Center  
New Orleans, Louisiana, United States

**4<sup>th</sup> Trans Middle East 2008**  
November 25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
Al Bustan Rotana Hotel  
Dubai, United Arab Emirates

**1<sup>st</sup> Breakbulk Asia Transportation Conference & Exhibition**  
February 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
Suntec Singapore International Convention Centre  
Singapore

**7<sup>th</sup> Intermodal Africa 2009**  
March 25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
Le Méridien President Hotel  
Dakar, Senegal

**12<sup>th</sup> Transport Logistic 2009**  
May 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
New Munich Trade Fair Centre  
Munich, Germany

**6<sup>th</sup> GPLN Annual General Meeting**  
May, 2009  
(TBA)  
Istanbul, Turkey

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Breakbulk Europe Conference & Exhibition**  
May 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
Antwerp Expo  
Antwerp, Belgium

**20<sup>th</sup> Annual Breakbulk Transportation Conference & Exhibition**  
October 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
Ernest N. Morial Convention Center  
New Orleans, Louisiana

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## Inchcape Shipping Services Moves Cantilever Beams to Mumbai

Inchcape Shipping Services in Dubai recently undertook an interesting transport of cantilever beams from Sharjah, in the United Arab Emirates, to Mumbai, India, for an oil well project.

According to Usman Ahmed of Inchcape Shipping Services the most difficult part was to bring the cargo

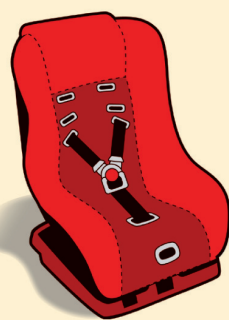


alongside the vessel with dims of 38.43m long, 5.8m high, 1.8m width and weight 160 mt.

"The cargo was laying around a kilometer from the vessel and was brought to the vessel using two 200 mt crawler cranes," said Usman Ahmed, "The second

difficult leg was to tilt the cargo position so that it laid flat on its back as it was transported in upright position."

The cargo was built by an engineering company inside the port area.



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