



Welcome to the May 2008 newsletter.

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Summary

This month, we have profiled the vessel Nedlloyd Juliana which arrives in New Zealand this week. Some readers will have had cargo on this vessel and this section gives you the opportunity to learn a little more about the vessels and service providers that enable your cargo to move from your supplier or to your client. If there is a particular vessel or service provider that you would like profiled in future editions, please drop me a line and we will endeavour to profile accordingly.

The hot topic for April was the New Zealand China Free Trade Agreement - by far the most widely covered item in the news. Rather than cover every article about who said what and what each individual politician thinks of the FTA, we've included the articles that are relevant to you - the importer or the exporter. There are five links to news articles from April including an opinion article from Fran O'Sullivan and a snapshot in to future FTA negotiations.

Hard on the heels of the China FTA was the announcement by Fisher & Paykel of the planned closure of the Mosgiel manufacturing plant. There are two links below detailing differing views of the impact on Fisher & Paykel and New Zealand this direction will have.

Next up is an article regarding reducing the carbon footprint of large multinational companies in Europe however the more relevant part of the article is the impact the decisions by these businesses will have on their suppliers - specifically SME's.

Following from this were two notices of the intention to form a Vessel Sharing Arrangement between Maersk and MISC and also a revision of the services in to NZ by MISC, MOL, NYK, OOCL and PIL.

Lastly in the General News Section are two articles about the MAF Biosecurity implementation of an electronic method for receiving BACC's to replace the current fax method and a review of the trucking booking system implemented at Auckland port.

In the notices section, there is a general upward movement in the BAF levels to and from most areas. I would recommend reading through the area that relates to you to ensure you're up to date with the latest BAF level.

Read on...

This month's profile

Below is the container ship Nedlloyd Juliana departing Wellington in September last year. The Nedlloyd Juliana was launched 16th August 2003 by Hyundai Heavy Ind. Co., Ltd and has a gross tonnage of 26,833 ton. At 200 metres by 30 metres wide, her capacity is 2556 TEU with a sea speed of 21 knots. Owned by Blue Star GMBH, The Nedlloyd Juliana is leased by Maersk and can be regularly seen plying her trade between Japan, Shanghai, Taiwan, Hong Kong and New Zealand.



General News

- **New Zealand-China Free Trade Agreement signed.** 7 April, 2008. Prime Minister Helen Clark and Chinese counterpart, Premier Wen Jiabao, today witnessed the signing of the historic Free Trade Agreement between New Zealand and China in Beijing's Great Hall of the People.
<http://www.marketnewzealand.com/MNZ/News/Story/14401/18902.aspx>
- **Rag trade to benefit from tariff cuts.** New Zealand manufacturers who get their goods made in China could see a benefit from the upcoming free trade deal with the world's fastest growing major economy.
http://www.nzherald.co.nz/section/3/story.cfm?c_id=3&objectid=10502168
- **Exporters to profit from China deal before 2009.** New Zealand exporters will pocket the first dividend from today's historic free trade agreement with China when the deal comes into effect on October 1.
http://www.nzherald.co.nz/feature/story.cfm?c_id=1501819&objectid=10502452
- **Fran O'Sullivan: NZ visitors sold on trade deal.** Trade Minister Phil Goff wants NZ's political parties to study the content of the China free trade deal and then make a "rational decision" to sign up to it. Mr Goff's not on his own. The clear message from politicians and business people mustered in Beijing yesterday for a confidential heads-up on the deal was that it was so good that political parties shouldn't rain on New Zealand's parade.
http://www.nzherald.co.nz/section/1/story.cfm?c_id=1&objectid=10502450

- **PM to visit North Asia hoping for more FTAs.** Prime Minister Helen Clark will visit Japan and Korea in the next month with free trade on her mind in the wake of the ground-breaking agreement just signed with China.
http://www.nzherald.co.nz/feature/story.cfm?c_id=1501819&objectid=10505283
- **Fisher & Paykel move 'damages iconic brand'.** The iconic Fisher & Paykel brand will be damaged by the decision to move most of its manufacturing overseas, the EPMU union has said.
http://www.nzherald.co.nz/section/3/story.cfm?c_id=3&objectid=10504635
- **Fran O'Sullivan: Trading in a changing world.** Fisher & Paykel's decision to up stumps and shift its Dunedin production line offshore along with 450 jobs is a body blow to New Zealand confidence. But shareholders in Fisher & Paykel Appliances will see the move as rational, securing the future of this iconic Kiwi company in the cut-throat international whiteware market.
http://www.nzherald.co.nz/section/3/story.cfm?c_id=3&objectid=10505130
- **Drive to reduce carbon footprints quickly gathers momentum in Europe.** Key trends in reducing corporate carbon footprints were evident from a conference held in London on March 4, where presentations were made by high profile and mainstream companies such as McDonald's, Cadbury, Marks & Spencer and Nestlé UK.
<http://www.marketnewzealand.com/MNZ/News/Story/14401/18898.aspx>
- **Vessel Sharing Agreement between Maersk Line and MISC Berhad in the South East Asia to New Zealand trade.** Maersk Line has entered a Vessel Sharing Agreement (VSA) with MISC Berhad in the South East Asia to New Zealand trade. The agreement will take effect from 9 June, 2008 and the service will deploy four vessels with a capacity of 4,100 TEU each. Three of the vessels will be operated by Maersk Line and the fourth will be operated by MISC Berhad.
- **NZS partners MISC, MOL, NYK, OOCL and PIL will combine the current NZX1 and NZX2 services into a one upgrade single loop.** The upgraded service, which is expected to begin in early June 2008, has been designed to offer better service quality with coverage of five ports in New Zealand plus Brisbane, Australia. The service will be operated with 5 x 2,800TEU vessels (2 PIL, 1 each from MOL, NYK and OOCL). The intended new rotation includes weekly port calls at Singapore – Port Kelang – Brisbane – Auckland – Lyttelton – Wellington – Napier – Tauranga – Brisbane – Singapore.
- **MAF BIOSECURITY'S New Zealand Inbound Messaging Project.** A Message from MAF Biosecurity: The project has now completed week 8 of the 19 weeks of its Delivery Phase. We remain on target for our 30 June 2008 "Go Live" date. The Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) that we have been receiving from Industry and from MAF Staff, have been placed on the MAFBNZ web site: <http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/regs/cont-carg/inbound-messaging-faqs> As further questions arise, we will add these and the applicable answers to the web page.
- **Trucking along.** Ports of Auckland's Vehicle Booking System (VBS) continues to deliver efficiency gains, with the week of 31 March to 6 April culminating in the best ever average turn around time since the system was introduced - just 20 minutes.
<http://www.poal.co.nz/newsroom/Enote/Enote080411/eNote080411.html>

Export News

Australia & Pacific Islands

- Swire Shipping to Micronesia. Effective 4 May, BAF increase to US\$320/TEU & US\$640/FEU.
- Swire Shipping to Marshall Islands. Effective 4 May, BAF increase to US\$906/TEU & US\$1812/FEU.
- Swire Shipping to Papua New Guinea. Effective 4 May, BAF increase to US\$995/TEU & US\$1990/FEU.
- Hapag Lloyd to Fiji. Effective 15 May. BAF implementation of 4.43%.

Asia

- OOCL to SE Asia, Indian sub continent and Middle East. Effective 1 May, BAF increase to US\$600/20' and US\$1200/40'.
- MOL containers via Singapore. Effective 1 May, BAF increase to US\$600/20' and US\$1200/40'.
- Tasman Orient Line to North Asia. Effective 1 May, BAF increase US\$550/20' & US\$1100/40'.
- Maersk to SE Asia. Effective 1 May, BAF increase to US\$550/20' and US\$1100/40'.

Europe

- Marfret to North European ports. Effective 1 May, Low Sulpher Surcharge of US\$11/TEU.
- Maersk to North Europe. Effective 1 May, BAF increase to US\$559/20' & US\$1118/40'.
- Hapag Lloyd to Europe. Effective 1 May, BAF increase on ANS service to US\$545/TEU. OCE Service, BAF increase to US\$508/TEU.
- CMA CGM to Europe. Effective 1 May, BAF set at US\$615/TEU.
- OOCL to North European ports. Effective 1 May, Low Sulpher Surcharge of US\$8/TEU.

North America

- Marfret to USA. Effective 8 May, BAF increase to US\$775/TEU & US\$1550/FEU.

South America

- LCL cargo via Panama Canal. Effective 1 May, Panama Canal Surcharge increase to US\$5 per w/m.
- Maersk via Panama Canal. Effective 1 May, Panama Canal Surcharge increase to US\$93/TEU.

Import & Customs News

Australia & Pacific Islands

Asia

- OOCL from SE Asia, Indian sub continent and Middle East. Effective 1 May, BAF increase to US\$600/20' and US\$1200/40'.

- MOL containers via Singapore. Effective 1 May, BAF increase to US\$600/20' and US\$1200/40'.
- Maersk from SE Asia. Effective 1 May, BAF increase to US\$550/20' and US\$1100/40'.

Europe

- Marfret from North European ports. Effective 1 May, Low Sulpher Surcharge of US\$5/TEU.
- OOCL from North European ports. Effective 1 May, Low Sulpher Surcharge of US\$8/TEU.
- Maersk from North Europe. Effective 1 May, BAF increase to Eur354/20' & Eur708/40'.
- CMA CGM from Europe. Effective 1 May, BAF set at US\$587/TEU.
- OOCL from Mediterranean & Black Sea Ports. Effective 1 June to 17 October, Peak Season Surcharge of US\$158/20' & US\$316/40'.

South America

- Maersk via Panama Canal. Effective 1 May, Panama Canal Surcharge increase to US\$125/TEU.

All the best for the coming month,

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