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OVER-DIMENSIONAL STEEL COLUMN UNITS MOVED DESPITE CHALLENGES

Meticulously managed project cargo movement by Navigators

Navigators Shipping and Logistica L.L.C has announced that their projects team in the UAE has moved two huge air separator steel column units in the month of January. One High pressure and One low pressure unit were transported in a carefully planned mid-night operation.

The scope of work comprised of land freight, customs clearance, port handling of the project cargo, and sea freight execution.

The HP and LP column units were moved from Ras Al Khaimah to Jebel Ali port. As per the team, the call for the move was too close and challenges were lurking round the corner. The first and the foremost was to arrange permission for the land transportation from Ras Al Khaimah to Jebel Ali port, which crosses through the busiest roads of the UAE. Due to the over-dimensional shape of the cargo, permission for the move was granted from mid-night to 5:00 AM.

Project cargo movement needs backward planning, with respect to the route, secure halting points, arranging escorts, lifting, and loading. Organizing secure places for parking the huge and Over-dimensional cargo enroute Jebel Ali during the daylight hours was another challenge, which was perfectly managed by the team.

"There are no standard formulae or set operational procedures when it comes to project management. You need to be ready to face any challenge even after the meticulous planning for a seamless movement. Adverse weather conditions and fog was an unforeseen threat for the truck movement, in this project. But our truck drivers being experts in the GCC land transport, successfully managed to

contain the threat. You need all the stake holders, come together, for such extremely challenging project movements" mentioned Team Leader Projects department, Navigators group.

The cargo weighing 95,800 kgs with a gross volume of 513.43 cbm, was secured on to the trailers by the engineering team of the projects department of Navigators.

Nooteboom hydraulic trailers with 16 axles were engaged for the mid-night cargo move. It took 4 nights to complete the 160 plus kms stretch from RAK to Jebel Ali port. Escort vehicles with Navigators team in it accompanied the cargo throughout the journey.

"Only an experienced projects team with a specific skill set can manage such complex ODC logistics. The overall operation was quite exciting and challenging. Our documentation team did an impeccable job with preparing papers, simplifying the customs formalities. As usual we are always ready to walk that extra mile to ensure 100% client satisfaction" said Project Manager, Navigators group.

The ODC column units which were meant for air separation and cryogenic production and distribution system for various industries, were securely loaded on to the vessel, under the expert technical supervision. While the team Navigators bid fare well to the project cargo for its successful onward journey through sea, the dawn was breaking after the 4th night.

Navigators Shipping and Logistica L.L.C. (NSAL), is one of the fastest growing Shipping and Logistics companies in the UAE.

Our extensive global network and our collaborative efforts in boosting the global trade have made us the most preferred logistics partner in the regions, where we operate. Our commitment is in providing first class cargo management services to our clients with full transparency and inclusiveness. The professional ethos at NSAL has attracted people who can lead teams towards the future, through innovative and inspiring ideas, cutting edge technology solutions, invigorated spirit, and strategies.



WESTERN DEDICATED FREIGHT CORRIDOR

The CMA CGM Group launched CMA CGM – GatewayRail PYTHON Train Service on February 1, 2021, on Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC) from New Kishangarh Junction, Rajasthan.

The two double-stack ship to rail dedicated trains, one leaving from Mundra and the other from Pipavav, were clubbed at New Kishangarh Junction for the onward journey on the WDFC to New Ateli Junction and were split from there for GatewayRail's Inland Container Depot – Gurugram (Garhi Harsaru). Western DFC will benefit industries in Gurgaon, Manesar, Rewari, Neemrana industrial areas of Haryana and Rajasthan and ensure faster rail transportation of international cargo between the National Capital Region and Mundra, as well as Port Pipavav ports in the state of Gujarat.

Source: Online news portals

MOZAMBIQUE: DP WORLD MAPUTO DEVELOPS YOUNG LOCAL TALENT FOR THE FUTURE



DP World Maputo, which has the concession to manage and operate the Maputo Container Terminal, has recruited 10 young Mozambican university graduates to be trained and developed by the company as part of its 'Grow' programme.

DP World Maputo, which is a business unit of Dubai-based DP World, a leading global provider of smart logistics solutions, launched the programme in the country last year.

The programme, part of DP World's commitment to contribute to the development of nationals in the communities where it operates, seeks to accelerate the growth of young local graduates with high potential by providing them with advanced training and work experience to increase their future employment prospects, as well as to enable DP World Maputo to build a talent pool of future leaders across the business.

Source: Online news portals



OFFERING SEAMLESS EXPOSURE TO THE MEMBER COMMUNITY

Inter-ConneX logistics network

The team at Inter-ConneX are delighted to be given the opportunity to feature in the Navigators Gazette and are always excited to see our members working hard to gain exposure in the ever-competitive world of international freight forwarding.

As a group, Inter-ConneX Logistics Network launched officially in January 2020. At that time, we were all watching events unfolding in Wuhan, China and we were blissfully unaware of how these events would soon affect us all in every corner of the globe. Some might think that any new venture that launched during that time would surely be doomed to failure especially as we have all seen many big and well-established names go under. However, for us that just was not the case. In fact, we gave the logistics networking industry a new spark of life and caught a lot of attention along the way!

From the start we wanted to make sure that we were not a group that takes your membership fee, adds you to a list and lets you get on with it. That is not how we work! At Inter-ConneX, we pride ourselves on knowing our members and being proactive in our approach! Good communication and giving our members added exposure in the industry have been key ingredients in our group's success. We knew as the pandemic started kicking in that it was our duty as a networking platform to help our members get their services know to other members and to the industry. We did this in several ways, one of which was by doing a number of broadcasts to our extensive list of global contacts showcasing our members.

We have done location specific and member specific features which has got our members names known across the world. Always useful in tough times like the new COVID19 world.

Another great thing that we did was our end of year members meet-up which was a huge success. As everyone is unable to travel this informal online virtual meet-up was a great way for our members to get to know each other in a casual virtual cocktail reception format. This was a free event for our members, and more are planned in the future.

As we hopefully are now moving into a post-covid19 era with vaccines rolling out in many countries it is likely we will see international travel open-up and this too will allow for the traditional network events to resume and Inter-ConneX is ready. As soon as it is safe to do so, we will be holding a members' event. In the meantime, we will have our next virtual event scheduled for March 10th. Our aim now, as we move away from a world that is dominated by COVID19, is to continue growing Inter-ConneX in a balanced way. We will strive to give our members as much exposure in the industry as we can and support them in the pursuit of networking and business expansion.

STRENGTHENING THE NETWORK SYNERGY

UCN Global network

Navigators Shipping & Logistica LLC, Dubai United Arab Emirates has officially joined U-Connect Worldwide Network (UCN) as a member on October 2020.



UCN is a logistics network of eminent global consolidators and freight forwarders worldwide and was founded by a group of established and globally recognized NVOCC. UCN is a network whose members are like-minded individuals that have the capabilities to offer synergy and growth to the entire network.

On August 2020 Mr. Andrew Smithurst has joined UCN as International Network Director. He is known to many consolidators and freight forwarders as a gentleman who's kind, helpful and professional with quite a good relationship to the people in the industry. The appointment of Mr. Andrew Smithurst has aided UCN a great deal of vast knowledge and immense experience in the Logistics Industry & Network. He leads and oversees the continuous growth and development of the Network and its members.



Andrew Smithurst
UCN's International Network
Development Director

THE LOGISTICS MIDDLE EAST AWARDS 2021

Navigators Shipping and Logistica LLC shortlisted in 2 categories



SHORTLISTED BESPOKE LOGISTICS PROJECT OF THE YEAR



SHORTLISTED BREAKBULK OPERATOR OF THE YEAR

Navigators Shipping and Logistica LLC has been short listed for the "Bespoke logistics project of the year" as well as the "Breakbulk operator of the year" categories for the Logistics Middle East Awards 2021.

There are 14 categories in total, including the Pride of Logistics Award, a special new category introduced specially to recognize resilience during the COVID pandemic.

The Logistics Middle East Awards are a celebration of excellence for the great and the good of the supply chain and logistics communities in the Middle East. The awards follow the traditions of rewarding industry success set by the Supply Chain & Transport Awards, which were first held in 2007. In 2021, the awards have a much keener focus on the companies and individuals working for logistics and transport companies in the Middle East. They will highlight the industry players that have contributed most towards the success of the logistics sector in what has been a challenging year.

Source: Online news portals



THE UAE MAKES HISTORY AS THE FIRST ARAB NATION TO REACH MARS

The UAE made history on Tuesday evening, 9 February as the first Arab nation, and the fifth in the world, to reach Mars after the Hope Probe successfully entered the Red Planet's orbit at 7:42pm.

The probe overcame the most critical part of its mission, the Mars Orbital Insertion (MOI) that involved reversing and firing its six Delta V thrusters to rapidly reduce its speed from 121,000 km/h to 18,000 km/h. During the 27-minute critical phase, the contact with the probe was kept to a minimum.

Hailing the historic breakthrough, HH Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan said, "This historic achievement would not have been possible without the persistence and determination to implement the idea that emerged at the end of 2013 from His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of UAE and Ruler of Dubai, who followed it up closely until its success."

He also praised the efforts of His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces, in extending all the support needed to make the dream come true.

Source: Online news portals



QATAR AIRWAYS CARGO APPOINTS GSA

For UAE, Saudi Arabia and Egypt

Effective 21 February 2021, Qatar Airways Cargo will recommence cargo sales and bookings in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, and the Arab Republic of Egypt with the appointment of General Sales Agents in these countries.

The letter of appointment has been awarded to the following GSAs:

1. Globe Air Cargo, ECS Group Subsidiary – for the United Arab Emirates
2. Yusuf Bin Kanoo co. Ltd – for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
3. Venus Air Cargo – for the Arab Republic of Egypt

Guillaume Halleux, Qatar Airways Chief Officer Cargo said, "The resumption of passenger flights to these three countries is great news, allowing us to re-establish trade and support our customers."

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