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As part of its latest business growth strategy, AEB (International) Ltd has announced changes within its leadership team. Mark Brannan, General Manager, is moving on to the corporate role of International Business Development Director, while Claire Umney will assume responsibility for the management and continued development of AEB (International) Ltd as the new General Manager. As UK General Manager, Claire Umney is looking to build on the growth of the company in recent years and further develop the company's reputation as a leading provider of software solutions and consultancy in supply chain and logistics. Claire has been working with AEB (International) Ltd since 2008, when she joined as a Project Manager. Her wealth of experience in the Logistics and Supply Chain sector has been integral to the UK business and its success.

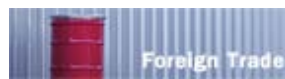
Claire Umney says: "We are at a very exciting juncture in AEB's development as a global company, and I am happy to be leading the UK business into the future. We have an excellent and expanding product portfolio as well as an experienced and motivated team to drive our success. I am looking forward to the challenges ahead."

During his 11 years with the company, Mark Brannan has gained considerable experience advising companies ranging from SMEs to major multi-national corporations on solutions for optimizing supply chain performance. In his new role, Mark reports directly to AEB's CEO at the company's headquarters in Stuttgart, and the key focus of his global responsibilities is on developing new markets, key accounts and partner networks worldwide.

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Efficient and accurate management of EMCS movements

EMCS (excise movement and control system) was introduced to monitor the movement of excise goods under duty suspension within the EU.

AEB's EMCS solution is recognized by HMRC and fully covers phases 1 and 2 (FS0 and FS1). Product development efforts are currently underway to prepare for the next release, phase 3 (FS2), in January 2012. The third phase will introduce enhancements to the existing EMCS functionality, in particular the splitting of energy movements and the introduction of more reports. (> Official HMRC summary: hmrc.gov.uk/emcs/index.htm#3)

AEB offers a simple solution tailored to the needs of small and medium-sized enterprises: EMCS||XPRESS is an online application that puts you on the fast track to EMCS readiness. This on-demand solution is also the ideal choice for registered consignors and keepers of tax warehouses. Submitting and tracking EMCS movements is both simple and affordable. Customers who use AEB's EMCS software benefit from efficient, accurate management of their EMCS movements and a solution that is both user-friendly and scalable.

To read more about how AEB can help you manage your EMCS movements, please refer to aeb-international.co.uk/emcs/index.php.

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Joint statement on supply chain security by U.S. and EU

On June 23, 2011, the European Union and United States signed a joint statement in Brussels on supply chain security and corresponding measures.

The statement defines an agenda for transatlantic co-operation in the area of global supply chain security. Possible measures to be implemented by the end of October 2011 include mutual recognition of AEO and C-TPAT.

The EU and U.S. have the largest bilateral trade relationship and together account for about one-third of world trade. Other nations rely on transit through EU and U.S. airports, seaports and land border crossings. The partnership between the EU and U.S. protects these vital economic ties.

Measures aim to:

- Prevent the unlawful transport of dangerous and illicit material throughout the supply chain
- Protect critical elements of the supply chain system from attacks and disruptions
- Facilitate and expedite the smooth flow of legitimate international trade through the use of multilayered risk management tools
- Reduce costs of security controls by recognizing the high standards of cargo security controls performed by each side

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The Fresh Connection competition finals: the winners are ...

AEB (International) Ltd., second-time sponsor of the educational supply chain competition "The Fresh Connection," is proud to announce the winner of the UK supply chain challenge following the final round at the prestigious Wroxhall Abbey, Warwickshire, on July 7, 2011:

1. Mars team
2. La Palette Rouge team
3. Joint team of Heinz & Swisslog

We hope all contestants enjoyed the competition and gained some excellent ideas for supply chain optimization strategies to apply within their business areas. We look forward to next year's challenge.

The Fresh Connection in the UK is organized by SCALA Consulting. More details can be found at thefreshconnection.co.uk/en/home.aspx.

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Relaxation of U.S. export controls through new License Exception “Strategic Trade Authorization” (STA)

The U.S. Bureau of Industry and Security issued the new License Exception “Strategic Trade Authorization” (STA) as part of the Obama administration’s export control initiative launched in August 2009 to make the U.S. economy more competitive internationally while enhancing national security.

This License Exception, the most far-reaching in U.S. export controls to date, is intended to liberalize exports and re-exports of many controlled U.S. goods. STA will eliminate the need for U.S. (re-)export permits in many cases. The use of STA is subject to prior consignee statements and destination control statements to prevent illegal forwarding.

However, the License Exception cannot be used for goods subject to certain reasons for control (SS, SL, MT, CW) or that fall under the control of an agency other than the BIS.

The License Exception offers benefits for re-exports in particular: delivery times can be accelerated, as the required statements are no longer so time-consuming.

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EU tightens sanctions against Belarus

In light of continued human rights abuses in Belarus, the EU has tightened its embargo of the country and added goods-specific restrictive measures for the first time. The new measures include an arms embargo and a prohibition on equipment that might be used for internal repression. The current restrictive measures against President Lukashenko and various Belarusian officials have been extended to further officials. Added to the list of sanctioned persons (Annex IIIA of Council Decision 2010/639/CFSP) are Lukashenko’s economic advisers, government functionaries and three companies headed by Lukashenko.

[Regulation \(EC\) No. 588/2011 amending Regulation \(EC\) No. 765/2006](#) implements the restrictive measures against President Lukashenko and various Belarusian officials into directly applicable law.

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AEB Supply Chain Visibility and Risk Management conference in partnership with Chartered Institute of Logistics & Transport

The Supply Chain Visibility and Risk Management conference is organized by AEB (International) Ltd in partnership with the Chartered Institute of Logistics & Transport (CILT). It will take place on Tuesday, September 13, 2011, 10:00 a.m. to 3:15 p.m., at the Mallory Court Hotel, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire.

As more and more global supply chains stretch to include third- and fourth-party logistics providers, the potential dangers and costs of disregarding physical events and discrepancies outside a company’s control can have significant adverse effects on the business. Visibility, risk management and business intelligence are crucial factors for corporations seeking continuous improvement. AEB (International) Ltd’s conference will explore the requirements and impacts of managing and understanding supply chain risks, the benefits of total visibility and the relevance of business intelligence for procurement, distribution, fulfillment and sustainable business growth. Attendees will hear presentations and case studies from industry experts and have an opportunity to network with peers.

The following speakers have been confirmed: Nick Wildgoose, Head of Supply Chain Insurance at Zurich Insurance PLC; Professor Alan Braithwaite, Chairman at LCP Consulting and Visiting Professor at Cranfield School of Management; Mark Lincoln, EMEA Transport Manager and Logistics Manager UK and Ireland at Sealed Air Ltd.

>> For more information please refer to the official event listing at ciltuk.org.uk

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AEB AP at Supply Chain Asia Forum 2011

Meet AEB (Asia Pacific) Pte at the Supply Chain Asia Forum 2011, taking place September 6–9 at the Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel in Singapore. There you can learn how to streamline your supply chain and gain a competitive edge with AEB’s solutions for logistics and global trade

management.

The theme for the Supply Chain Asia Forum 2011 is “Extending the Chains of Life: Essentials of Supply Chains in Today’s Globalized World.” The forum will explore the challenges of managing rising consumerism, commoditization of products and services and the impact of sustainability on corporations.

AEB is proud to take an active part in the prestigious conference program:

Markus Meissner, Managing Director of AEB GmbH and AEB (Asia Pacific) Pte, is hosting the technical track on September 7, 2011, from 3:30–5:00 p.m. The focus will be on “Reinventing the Global Supply Chain – Changing how the Supply Chain Works Today.”

Dr. Torsten Mällée, General Manager of AEB (Asia Pacific) Pte, will provide expert opinions and answer audience questions as a panelist in the discussion “Global Trade Compliance & Risk Management Challenges.”

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Key to cost savings

International Freighting Weekly published Mark Brannan's article “Freight Cost Management Systems – the Key to Cost Savings” in its June online edition. In addition to saving costs, adopting an IT freight management solution is a way to improve business processes and productivity and thereby gain a competitive advantage. The full article details today’s solutions to significantly increase efficiency and reduce costs as part of a company’s freight management processes. Read the full article at ifw-net.com.

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Outsourcing trend effects warehouse management

Supply Chain Europe has published an article by Gursh Atwal entitled “Trends in Warehouse Management.” Atwal elaborates on the major developments in global warehousing during the past ten years, which have reflected changes in global trade. The biggest change is the emergence of the East – in particular China and India – as the principal manufacturing base for the global economy, serving a pool of mostly Western customers. The consequence of Western companies choosing to outsource to China and India has been the proliferation of supply chains that cover a much larger geographic area. In the two-page article, Atwal details what this means for other markets and the shifts that this has caused.

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