

IASA NEWSLETTER



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Global Product Supply Management Pty Ltd

“GPSM Sydney are pleased to advise IASA partners that they are now operating their own trucking fleet in Sydney, Australia.

The opportunity arose in July 2008 to purchase the business of an independent trucking operator in Sydney, and all vehicles are now running under the GPSM banner. The purchase has allowed GPSM to further enhance their service capabilities to clients; the fleet includes container trailers, flat bed and taut liner trucks.

The acquisition is now allowing GPSM to pick up and deliver all air, LCL and FCL cargo on their own vehicles without the need to sub-contract trucking operations to a third party”.



IASA Web Site 1st Stage Launch

The first stage of the new IASA Web site is now live. We are releasing the site in 2 stages; one at the end of August and the second stage (Members section) end September, the second stage was delayed due to slow responses from some members. We will keep all informed.

If you wish to have any recent news about your business, awards, items of interest, new staff joining the company, new contacts, please advise me before 26th September and I will include it in the September/October issue @ angelaspellman@iasa.net

CASS MEMORANDUM - ALITALIA (AZ-055)

Press statement from IATA received in the UK 5th Sept

Alitalia filed for bankruptcy protection with the Italian Court on 29 August 2008. The purpose of that filing is to provide protection for the company from its creditors, while it reorganises.

IATA's position is to do whatever we can to support our Member Airlines, which are undergoing a restructuring process, whilst also protecting the interests of our other Members, IATA Agents and the travelling public.

During the last few days we have been working very closely with Alitalia's Senior Management and the Extraordinary Administrator and I am pleased to advise that we have reached an agreement whereby the Extraordinary Administrator has signed a contract with IATA to assume the BSP and CASS Agreements and has provided IATA with a security deposit.

The security deposit will be held centrally by IATA, and will be used in the event Alitalia's refunds exceed sales and such shortfall is not recovered locally. While we do not expect to have to use these funds, the existence of such a security deposit should serve to reassure you that your interests are being addressed.

As far as BSP and CASS processing is concerned, it is "business as usual," with no disruption to data processing, remittances or settlements.

If you have any further questions, please contact your local IATA office.

We will keep you informed of any changes to the situation.

*Best regards,
Tom Murphy*

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Membership Development 2008



Again.....we are **very keen** to receive recommendations from Members in the following areas:

- Russia
- Eastern Europe

If you currently work with a reliable, independent agent and you feel they would meet our strict membership criteria then we would be interested in opening discussions with them. Please contact myself or Roberto directly? We would like to be in a position to visit some potential member at their premises in time to consider interviewing at the next Board meeting in November 2008.

In issue number Five May/June, we included a report on the movement of a massive 66-ton Hyperbaric Chamber. The report wasn't clear due to copying problems, but we would like it made clear that GPSM, our Australian member, played a large part in this movement by safely handling the Australian end of this huge project.

I am circulating the following information again Please can those who have not responded to Thao and Heike re; my mail of the 11th August 2008 asking for your arrival and departure dates, please do so ASAP, this will greatly assist with their arrangements with the hotel.

70th General Assembly Vietnam

The dates and Venue has now been confirmed for the 70th GA in Vietnam in 2009

**Sunday 15th – Thursday 19th March 2009
Venue**

Thao @ Vitra Co., Ltd has been successful in negotiating a good rate at the Majestic Hotel

<http://www.majesticsaigon.com.vn/>

This newsletter is issued for the benefit and interest of all members and can open new relationships and opportunities for members. It is important any news-worthy items are advised to the IASA office so that they can be included in the newsletter, not just mentioned on your own websites, where they may not be seen by all members.

...I do appreciate your feedback.....

Angela

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