Book On Container Refrigeration Released At London

An extensive and definitive guidebook titled CONTAINER REFRIGERATION was released at London recently. With this book release, the need for an authoritative and informative guidebook on the subject has been fulfilled.

Aug. 8, 2008 - <u>PRLog</u> -- On 1st July 2008, a new 300 page definitive guide to the operation, faultfinding and maintenance of Refrigerated Containers in the form of a book titled CONTAINER REFRIGERATION was launched in London at the Coologistics conference held at IMARESTs city conference centre venue.

With the big players from shipping and the receivers (supermarkets) there in force it made for a good event. With much interest in the publication and many comments on the refreshing format, the author, Mr Maheshwar was kept busy signing copies.

Today, a newbuild Panamax containership of 4,600TEU will typically have capacity for 700 reefer plugs, and with a full load will consume 18 tonnes of HFO per day. However, one cannot just load a container plug it in and play like a computer component. Questions on requirements of the content and the power consumption demanded by this are just some of the items that a reefer operator must consider.

With a growing global refrigerated trade of 50M tonnes p.a, and with few dedicated reefer ships on order, growth is going to be seen in the available refrigerated capacity on container ships. However, increased reefer cargo claims point to a lack of knowledge by both ship and shore personnel.

This book aims to close up the gaps in that knowledge.

The book also dispels some of the myths surrounding reefer cargoes.

In addition to providing a detailed information on various components in a reefer conatiner machinery, the book also deals with various types of reefer cargo, various cases of reefer cargo losses, stuffing procedures, care to be taken on board for preserving the freshness of the cargo and the documentation involved in successful transport and export of reefer cargo. In also dwells on maintenance of a gap free integrated cold chain with emphasis on maintenance of quality at every stage of the export process wit responsibilty and accountability of various players at each stage.

The book is a must read and must keep document for all persons associated with the reefer logistics activity, both ashore and on board the ships involved in carrying reefer containers and reefer cargoes.

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