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PNGPCL commence installation for Port Moresby & Lae port to enhance MIS System

The Ports of Port Moresby and Lae will now commence installation of wireless communication infrastructure to enable the use of the Klein Port Management Information System (KPMIS).

This enhancement and upgrade of infrastructure will enable both these Ports to be fully operationally in managing containers and cargo in and out of the ports utilising Klein.

PNG Ports Corporation Limited (PNGPCL) Management embarked on the introduction of the Klein System in 2005 in order to increase and maximise port efficiency and productivity.

An overseas based company, Pocket Solutions Limited (PSL), a distributor and integrator of both Aruba Networking Infrastructure products and Psionteklogix will install the hardware solution at these respective ports. This hardware is standard-based and designed to operate continuously even under the harshest port environments.

The team comprising of Stuart Ohelrich (technical director), Graham Hall (engineer) and Angus Riddle (engineer) arrived in the country earlier this week and commence installation for Port Moresby Port till the 15th of September. They will then travel to Lae port on 16th September for its installation till the 24th of September.

The PSL team will be working closely with PNGPCL MIS Operation team including ITC department, Norlan Warpin, Benedict Pondo and Kamit Nanadai. The overseas based company will also be running series of training workshops for the PNG Ports team covering safe usage of handheld devices, trouble shooting of handheld devices and troubleshooting wireless network connectivity.

PNGPCL Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Brian Riches said the installation of KPMIS is in line with one of the Company's strategic objectives of 2010-2014 of improving port operational efficiencies and productivity.

Mr Riches said: "The System and the re-designing projects at the ports of Port Moresby and Lae infrastructure will act as an impetus in driving the future economic growth and development of PNG."

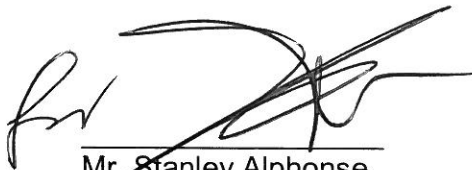
"The Klein System will assist in fulfilling PNGPCL's vision of being the premier maritime service company in Papua New Guinea," he said.

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