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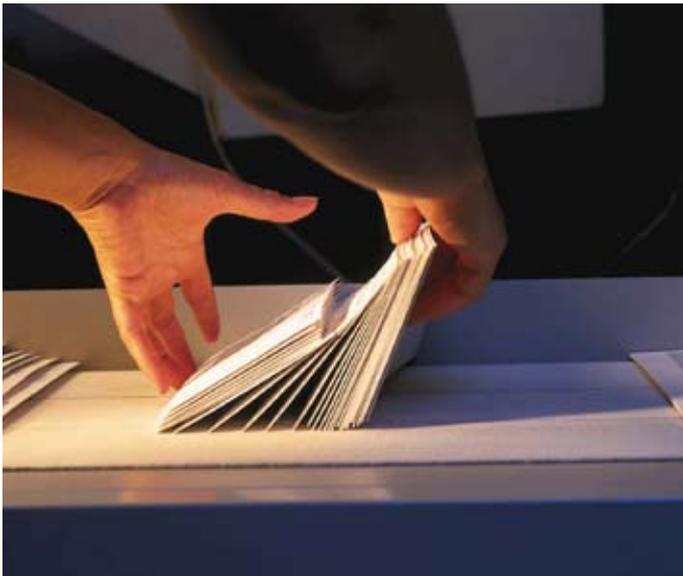
The first annual reports for fiscal year 2007 are currently being released by IPC member posts and carriers within the postal industry. The United States Postal Service, TNT Post, Australia Post and FedEx are among the first to publish their financial and operational data for 2007.

IPC gathers annual reports from 24 member posts along with other industry leaders and makes them available as part of the *IPC Carrier Profiles* available at www.ipc.be. Currently, it is possible to search 26 Carrier Profiles and use the query tool in the Statistical Database to compare carriers' performance in various areas.

The *IPC Carrier Profiles* include information regarding company strategy, ownership, business activities, subsidiaries, milestones, country demographics and financial and operational indicators.

For example, did you know that TNT Post has no shareholder connection to the Netherlands state from November 2006? And Deutsche Post World Net just appointed Dr. Frank Appel as their new CEO and chairman of the board. All of this information is readily available and up-to-date on www.ipc.be.

The *IPC Statistical Database* is for Members Only. It is a comprehensive look at postal industry data extracted from annual reports, combined with economic and demographic data targeted at performance analysts and marketing professionals.



For example, CTT Correios de Portugal has improved their operating margin from three percent in 2005 to six percent in 2006. And TNT Post has reduced staff costs by four percentage points from 2005 to 2007. Additionally, the number of Internet users has increased by 49 million in the past 3 years within the United States.

IPC will continue to provide the most recent updates and additions to the IPC Postal Database section at www.ipc.be.

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DPWN Splits its Logistics into Two Units



Deutsche Post World Net (DPWN) has split management responsibility for its logistics activities between two executive management board members and created two operating units. In a separate move, DHL Global Mail is to be integrated into the Mail division.

Both the new logistics business units have revenues of more than EUR 13 billion. Supply Chain and Corporate Information Solutions (Williams Lea) will be the responsibility of Bruce Edwards. The unit focuses on complex, long term outsourcing agreements with large customers.

Global Forwarding Freight, an asset-light business focussing on brokerage of transport capacity, will be run by Hermann Ude.

DPWN's logistics activities were previously the responsibility of newly appointed chairman and chief executive Frank Appel. Logistics is the group's biggest division in terms of both revenue and employee numbers.

DHL Global Mail is reintegrating with the mail division to strengthen the group's cross-border mail opportunities via strong links with domestic mail, according to DPWN. Jürgen Höfling, CEO of Global Mail, will report to Jürgen Gerdes, the executive management board member responsible for mail.

Poste Italiane in Joint Venture with Rail



Poste Italiane has formed a joint venture with the multi-modal freight division of Italian rail company Ferrovie dello Stato (FS Group) to provide integrated, national logistics that combine long distance transport with local delivery.

Italia Logistica, a 50/50 joint venture, combines the activities of FS Group subsidiary Omnia Logistica with Poste Italiane's SDA Logistica. The venture partners said the strengths of Italia Logistica would include a wide collection and delivery network for door-to-door services, new services and new information systems.

The commercial strategy will focus on providing high-value, integrated services for urban logistics, reverse logistics and the catering sector.

Itella Tests Automated Delivery Channel

Itella is developing automated parcel terminals in pilot projects in both its Finnish home market and Estonia.

The three-month pilots are being conducted with distance selling company Hobby Hall and some of its customers, who will receive an SMS message which they can use to pick up a parcel from Hobby Hall's Itäkeskus, Helsinki terminal.



Aku Hoppo, director of Itella's express and parcels business, said automated parcel terminals would be at convenient locations such as shopping centres and would each comprise 50 to 100 lockers.

The pilot in Estonia, also in partnership with Hobby Hall, is testing an automated parcel terminal in Tallinn's Rimi shopping centre. Currently, Itella uses local postal operators to deliver its international parcels; automated terminals are a first step towards establishing its own delivery network in the eight countries where Itella Logistics operates.

The company has also launched parcel delivery in Estonia through R-kiosks under a cooperation with three indoor R-kiosks in Tallinn.

US Write-Down Affects DPWN's 2007 Profits



In the full year 2007, Deutsche Post World Net (DPWN) achieved an operating profit (EBIT) of EUR 3.8 billion before non-recurring effects, but reported EBIT was 17 percent lower at EUR 3.2 billion following a non-cash asset write-down in the Express Americas division. Group revenue rose by 4.9 percent to EUR 4.2 billion.

Net income after minorities declined by 28 percent to EUR 1.4 billion owing mainly to the write-down. In the fourth quarter, however, net income declined to EUR 255 million from EUR 649 million in the fourth quarter of the previous year.

After releasing the results on March 6, DPWN said it would announce its plans for the loss-making DHL Express business in the United States in May; it would also continue to review its options regarding Deutsche Postbank.

In a statement outlining the 2007 results chief financial officer John Allan said the group was making good progress on its "Roadmap to Value" which has identified more than 100 initiatives designed to underpin EBIT growth by EUR 1 billion.

During 2007, mail division revenue rose by 1.3 percent to EUR 15.5 billion, driven by growth in Global Mail, Corporate Information Solutions (Williams Lea) and Dialogue Marketing. EBIT was EUR 2 billion. The division reached its earnings target with the help of increased productivity and cost flexibility.

The express division's revenue increased by 3.1 percent to EUR 13.9 billion in 2007. DPWN said organic growth for the division was 6.4 percent once negative currency effects were excluded. In Europe, revenue grew by 3.8 percent to EUR 6.6 billion while in the Americas, revenue fell by 4.9 percent to EUR 4.2 billion owing to negative currency effects.

With the EUR 594 million asset write-down excluded, DPWN said the express division reported a 46 percent increase in EBIT at EUR 420 million.

The logistics division saw revenue rise by 5.5 percent to EUR 25.7 billion with organic revenue rising by 9.1 percent. Underlying EBIT was 20 percent higher than the previous year at EUR 898 million while reported EBIT was 27 percent higher at EUR 957 million as a result of the sale of Vfw AG.

The financial services division, mainly Postbank, increased revenue by 8.7 percent to EUR 10.4 billion. EBIT was 7.2 percent higher at EUR 1.1 billion.

The services division, which includes the post office network, achieved a 7.1 percent increase in revenue to EUR 2.4 billion and an EBIT loss of EUR 600 million.

DPWN expects group EBIT excluding non-recurring effects to be around EUR 4.2 billion in 2008.

Österreichische Post Acquisitions Boost Revenue



The acquisition of ten companies during 2007 boosted both revenue and profits for Österreichische Post. Total revenue rose by 33.3 percent to EUR 2.32 billion, while operating profit (EBIT) increased by 32 percent to EUR 162.8 million.

All divisions achieved operating profits: mail returned an EBIT of EUR 274.2 million; parcels and logistics, EUR 12.8 million and the branch network EUR 13.6 million.

A major contributor to revenue (about EUR 500 million) was the initial consolidation of trans-o-flex, acquired at the end of 2006.

During the year, the company positioned itself as a niche player and local integrator in the European Union investing EUR 72 million in acquisitions. In 2007, 27 percent of total revenue was generated abroad compared with three percent in 2006.

In its outlook for 2008, the company predicted a slight increase in revenue of up to three percent including the integration of new subsidiaries acquired during 2007. It forecast a slight decline in EBIT owing to lower expected volume from the domestic parcels business. From January this year, mail order company Quelle transferred about seven million parcels a year from Österreichische Post to German-owned Hermes Logistik.

Mende to Head Logistics at Österreichische Post

Carl-Gerold Mende has been appointed to the management board of Österreichische Post from mid-June with responsibility for parcels and logistics.

Mr Mende moves to Österreichische Post from Royal Mail where he has been a member of the divisional managing board for letter mail and director of the international division. He began his career at DHL and has also worked for FedEx.

"I have known Mr. Mende since 2000 and have had contact with him on manifold occasions via IPC, the International Post Corporation," said Anton Wais, chairman of the Österreichische Post management board. "As a former member of the divisional board of Royal Mail, he has gained considerable know-how about postal organisations. Moreover, he has expertise regarding parcel delivery systems due to his experience in building up General Parcel."

UK Mail Enters Debate on Royal Mail Structure

United Kingdom postal operator UK Mail has released details of a proposed new commercial model for the structure of Royal Mail.

UK Mail commissioned a study by David Stubbs of technical economics consultancy Europe Economics. The study suggests the creation of two accountable businesses, Royal Mail Sales and Royal Mail Network, operating independently with distinct targets.

The sales business unit would contain all existing retail sales, marketing and product development, while the network unit would be responsible for operational delivery of postal services and sales to access customers. UK Mail is currently an access customer of Royal Mail.

"This model would give Royal Mail staff much stronger incentives to maximise the value of its universal service infrastructure as a commercial asset," said Mr Stubbs. "This could increase the benefits that the UK is deriving from the infrastructure and assist the safeguarding of universal service provision for the future."

TNT Post Closes all Remaining Post Offices

TNT Post is to close down its stand-alone post offices and discontinue its Postkantoren retail joint venture with Postbank.

The company has announced it will open 750 new post office outlets within shops in the Netherlands to provide a total of 2,600 points where customers can transact postal business. Businesses will be able to use one of 250 Business Points, which offer longer opening hours.

The restructuring costs of closing 250 head post offices and disbanding Postkantoren are estimated at about EUR 70 million before tax. Job losses are expected to total 1,850.

TNT and Postbank will continue to share 500 retail outlets in shops. Postbank customers will also have access to 283 ING branch offices.

Itella's iPost Wins Award in Germany

Itella Information has received a 2008 Innovation Award at the CeBIT technology trade fair in Germany.

A group of German IT experts, journalists and scientists chose Itella Information against judging criteria that included innovative nature of the product, usability and suitability for small and medium sized businesses.

The product that received the award, iPost, enables companies to send invoices, account statements, payslips and other types of letter to consumers and businesses either electronically, or via a hybrid system whereby iPost converts electronic data into hard copy for postal delivery.

Itella expanded iPost from Finland to Sweden, Germany, Norway and Denmark last year.

Royal Mail Invests in Employee Wellbeing

Royal Mail Group has launched a health and wellbeing programme for its employees aimed at reducing sickness absence, improving access to occupational health support services and raising awareness of smoking and back pain.

It is launching an online health checking and assessment service for its 180,000 employees across the group. This shows users how to analyse their health and lifestyle and make improvements in a range of areas from nutrition to stress and exercise.

A team of health trainers is being recruited nationwide to provide advice and practical support.

Royal Mail has been addressing the biological, social and psychological causes of absence from work and has already introduced health and wellbeing policies. Absenteeism group-wide has fallen from seven to five percent in the past three years.

Dr Steve Boorman, director of corporate responsibility, said: "Investing in the health and wellbeing of our people has been crucial in helping us respond to the challenges of the modern marketplace. Our unique approach has not only helped cut costs, but also improved productivity and increased employee morale."

E-shoppers Want Information and Choice

Consumers shopping online want clear information on delivery charges and the ability to track their orders, according to a study conducted by Royal Mail.

More than eighty percent of respondents to a survey said they wanted delivery information before they placed their order and the option to specify a delivery address. 94 percent said they were likely to shop again with an online trader if they were happy with their delivery experience.

Royal Mail released the findings in support of its Tracked and Safeplace services. Royal Mail Tracked supplies purchasers with a tracking number when goods are despatched; Safeplace allows shoppers to specify an alternative delivery point such as a garage or a neighbour.

Poste Italiane Diversifies for the Internet Age



Poste Italiane's chief executive, Massimo Sarmi, is using the trusted, nationwide infrastructure to be a provider of diverse services "in the internet age".

Mail accounts for less than a third of total revenue, while the rest is generated by services that did not exist when Mr Sarmi took over six years ago: financial services; online mail order, insurance, secure e-mail, pre-paid internet cards and mobile phones.

Increasingly, mail delivery and rural post offices are public services subsidised by more profitable ventures—100 post offices have been added to the network in the past five years to reach into areas that other agencies cannot penetrate.

Swiss Post Funds Ideas Incubator

Swiss Post is cooperating with the Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne (EPFL) by opening PostLab, an incubator which will offer financial support to develop projects and reduce the time between idea and realisation.

The company said in a statement that many of EPFL's research topics were solid prospects for Swiss Post's business development. One area is the security of electronic financial transactions.

Chronopost Launches New Services

La Poste's express division, Chronopost, has launched Prêt à Expédier and improved the shipping service for users of eBay France.

Prêt à Expédier, offered in post offices, offers next day delivery before 13.00 hours and includes packaging and transportation. It will be extended to international destinations by the end of this year.

The service offers packs in four sizes for parcels weighing from 500 grams to 6 kg. Prices, starting at EUR 17.56, include insurance, track and trace and proof of delivery.

In a partnership with eBay France, customers will be able to prepay online for express delivery at a seven percent discount. Airway bills printed off can be taken to a post office, a Chronopost agency or a Chrono Relais service point with the parcel for despatch. Both buyer and seller can track the parcel online via My eBay.

PIN Group Lays Off Employees



Insolvent German mail operator PIN Group, has begun laying off employees following the cessation of state insolvency payments at a number of units.

The company has been looking for investment in order to remain a single, national entity. However, German newspapers have reported that major media groups Axel Springer, Holtzbrinck and Madsack are interested in regaining control of their former newspaper and magazine delivery subsidiaries.

La Poste Increases its Press Delivery Volume



Groupe La Poste has acquired press delivery operator Media Express as part of a programme of initiatives in the press sector, introduced by its president and CEO, Jean Paul Bailly.

The postal operator has invested EUR 40 million in seven-day morning delivery in the Ile-de-France region and the thirty largest French metropolitan areas. In October 2007 a press handling hub went into operation at Chelles, East Paris.

Media Express has been acquired through La Poste's Neopress subsidiary, which distributes about 50,000 newspapers a day.

Modernisation Plan Unveiled for Russian Post

Russian Post's new chief executive, Andrej Kazmin, has unveiled a package of modernisation measures designed to improve profitability and quality of service, expand financial services and update IT and infrastructure.

The postal operator increased revenue by 23 percent last year but lost RUB 5.8 billion, significantly more than the RUB four billion loss sustained the previous year.

Profits Warning Issued for City Link

The parent company of British parcels carrier City Link has taken steps to turn the business round following the announcement of a profits warning after an "unacceptable" performance in 2007.

Rentokil Initial has sacked City Link chief executive Michael Cooke, sent in a new sales team and halted a depot integration programme to merge City Link and Target Express locations.

Chief executive of Rentokil Initial, Doug Flynn, said City Link might trade at breakeven level this year following a loss-making January. He commented that the parcels company had tried to integrate Target Express, acquired in late 2006, too quickly without establishing a sound base.

"The move away from local to centralised customer account management, for example, had a detrimental impact on customer relationships resulting in lower volumes going through the business and a modest increase in customer attrition," said a statement.

Royal Mail Announces Pension Reforms

Royal Mail has announced its plans for dealing with employee pensions in the face of rising costs and a fund deficit.

Benefits in the existing final salary scheme earned before April 1, 2008 will be protected, while for employees currently in the scheme, benefits earned after April 1 will be on a career salary basis.

New staff joining Royal Mail after March 31, will be eligible from April 2009 to join a new defined contribution scheme.

At present, Royal Mail is making payments of GBP 850 million a year to cover contributions and deficit over 17 years. The new arrangements have been agreed with postal unions as part of wider agreements on pay and modernisation.

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UK Service Down During Strike Period

Royal Mail's quality of service dropped in the pre-Christmas period when postal workers took strike action.

During the period from early September to the beginning of December, first class quality of service was about eighty percent and second class was 91.4 percent. These results contrasted with Royal Mail's target-beating performance prior to the strike.

TNT Opens Road Link to Ukraine

TNT Express has opened an international road connection to the Ukraine to link major economic centres to Europe and the rest of the world via Kiev and TNT's road hub in Warsaw.

"This extension is part of TNT's strategy to strengthen our number one position in the international intra-European express market (B2B), where we have a 26 percent market share, and to capture growth from emerging markets, such as Eastern Europe," said Jan Willem Breen, marketing and sales director of TNT Express.

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Hermes Launches XS European Parcel

German parcels operator Hermes Logistik has launched an XS category for European international parcels weighing up to 25 kg and no longer than 30 cm. The XS parcel costs EUR 8.50 online and EUR 9.50 at Hermes parcel shops.

FedEx Depot Serves Valencia's Growing Industries

FedEx has opened a new depot in Riba-roja de Túria in Valencia, Spain, to expand its network and improve its service in a region where industries including pottery, footwear, textiles and clothes are experiencing growing demand.

GO! Moves into Denmark in New Partnership

German operator GO! Express & Logistics has established an operation in Denmark with express company 3D De Daglige Distritutorer.

DHL Opens a New Logistics Centre in Estonia

DHL Estonia has opened a new logistics centre where operations will include goods handling and loading, cross-docking and third party logistics.

GLS Opens Hub in Avignon

Royal Mail's European parcels subsidiary GLS has opened a new EUR 4.5 million hub near Avignon to finalise its transport plan for southern France. The company expects to optimise its service quality to cope better with rising parcel volumes in the region.

European Air Freight Slumps in January

In January, international air cargo demand grew by 4.5 percent, according to the International Air Transport Association. European airlines, however, saw freight slump to 0.4 percent growth. Most is carried on long-haul markets where business for European airlines has suffered from the strong euro.

DPD Sees Sales Rise in Lithuania

Parcels carrier DPD Lithuania has announced that its sales increased by 33 percent to LTL 52.3 million in 2007. This year the company expects a higher sales increase of 35 percent.

Time:matters

Same day operator time:matters is to offer more frequent and more flexible express shipping to and from German and European airports after signing an agreement with Leisure Cargo, the freight division of Air Berlin.

Scherübi Opens Temperature Controlled Depot

Österreichische Post subsidiary Scherübi has opened a new EUR 1 million logistics centre for temperature-controlled pharmaceuticals in Wiener Neudorf, next to Vienna in eastern Austria.

TNT Express fForms a Benelux Unit

TNT Express is merging its subsidiaries in the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg. A new unit, TNT Express Benelux, with 2,100 employees, will have one head office at two locations: Houten (Netherlands) and Brussels (Belgium).

DHL In Deal with Atlas Air

DHL Express has signed a three-year, wet-leasing contract for two B747 freighters from US cargo airline group Atlas Air in addition to the six B747-400s of Atlas subsidiary Polar Air that are due to start flying in October.

DHL Increases Volume in Czech Republic

The DHL Express domestic operation in the Czech Republic, PPL CZ, increased volumes by 28 percent to 15 million parcels in 2007, thanks partly to the launch of business-to-business services.

DHL Opens Servicepoint in Bucharest

DHL Romania has opened a new customer relations centre (Servicepoint) in Baneasa, north Bucharest, to provide more competitive and efficient services and extend coverage.

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US Postal Service Announces Flexible Prices



The United States Postal Service has announced zone based prices and volume discounts for Express Mail, Priority Mail and other shipping services under provisions in the new postal act.

From May 12, customers will be able to take advantage of commercial volume pricing, minimum volume rebates, online price breaks and other incentives. The Postal Service is introducing a zone based pricing system for Express Mail and is offering a three percent discount for online purchases and corporate accounts.

Priority Mail will offer a 3.5 percent reduction to customers using electronic postage.

Parcel Select, the last mile delivery service for parcels operators, will offer volume incentives, while the parcel return service will move to a weight based system that offers significant price reductions for lighter parcels.

"We're pricing our products to sell in today's competitive shipping market. In the near future, the Postal Service plans to explore contract pricing for larger customers similar to others in the market," said Postmaster General John Potter.

Canada Post Reassures Customers

Canada Post has again moved to reassure customers that it will maintain its traditional mail delivery service wherever and whenever possible.

Speculation about service reduction has continued as Canada Post conducts its health and safety review of rural mail delivery. The corporation said it was responding to more than 40 rulings on workplace safety relating to complaints from rural mail carriers.

It assured customers that the review process would be transparent and that householders would be fully involved if their mailbox was to be assessed. "We consider changing a customer's mode of delivery only as a last resort when the safety of our employees and the driving public is at stake," it said in a statement.

FedEx Retains its Most Admired Accolade



FedEx Corporation has achieved a place in Fortune magazine's lists of most admired companies in the United States and the world for the seventh consecutive year.

"This honour is a testament to our 290,000 team members who daily go the extra mile to make every FedEx experience outstanding," said Frederick W. Smith, chairman, president and chief executive officer.

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DHL Takes Water Purifiers to Ecuador



DHL has teamed up with the humanitarian organisation Operation Blessing International (OBI) to deliver two portable water purification systems, from Charleston, South Carolina, to the flood-ravaged regions near Guayaquil, Ecuador.

The company has partnered with OBI to deliver similar water purification systems to other disaster-struck regions across the world, including Bangladesh, following the mid-November cyclone, and the flooded Mexican Gulf also in November 2007, DHL USA said in a statement.

FedEx Kinko's chief executive resigns

FedEx Corp has announced the resignation of Ken May, president and chief executive officer of FedEx Kinko's. Brian Phillips, chief operating officer, will become acting CEO of the retail provider of document solutions and business services.

FedEx Kinko's has a global network of about 1,900 digitally-connected locations in eleven countries. The Dallas-based company offers access to copying and digital printing, professional finishing, document creation, Internet access, computer rentals, videoconferencing, signs and graphics, notary, direct mail, office products, web-based printing, and the full range of FedEx day-definite ground shipping and time-definite global express shipping services.

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US Postal Service Showcases its Online Services

The United States Postal Service has just completed a week long showcase of USPS.com, highlighting the convenience of purchasing postal products online. "Almost anything you can do at a post office you can do online. Today's mail needs usps.com," said Anita Bizzotto, chief marketing officer and executive vice president.

UPS Reports Revised Results

United Parcel Service has reported a 6.5 percent increase in adjusted diluted earnings per share to USD 4.11 for the full year of 2007 after identifying a state income tax benefit of USD 65 million that was incorrectly recorded in the fourth quarter.

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NZ Post and Visa Launch Card

New Zealand Post and Visa International are jointly launching a prepaid Visa card under the brand name Loaded.

The card need not be attached to a bank account and is available to children and adults who cannot obtain credit as well as anyone who prefers not to incur debt. It can be used wherever in New Zealand that Visa is accepted electronically and is suited to online shopping.

Applications for a card can be completed online or at a New Zealand PostShop. The card can be "re-loaded" with cash online direct from a bank account or at any PostShop using cash or electronic funds transfer.

To safeguard children, card holders aged under 18 will not be able to buy alcohol or "adult" services.

Buyer Approved for Korea Express Co

Kumho Asiana Group has received approval from the Korean Fair Trade Commission to acquire Korea Express Co.

The group's two affiliates, Asiana Airlines Inc. and Daewoo Engineering & Construction Co, were the preferred bidders for the purchase of 24 million new shares in Korea Express, equivalent to a sixty percent stake. The price is estimated at more than USD four billion.

Kumho Asiana Group will now negotiate with the insolvency court on the final acquisition price. Korea Express has been under the control of the insolvency court since November 2001, after it failed to repay debts owed by its parent company Dong-Ah Construction Industrial Co.

Despite its financial woes, the company has been aggressively expanding its business in recent years, thanks to the fast-growing online shopping industry.

FedEx Celebrates Female Employees



FedEx Express celebrated International Women's Day on March 8, especially in China, where women account for 32 percent of its workforce.

At present almost 40 percent of the managing directors and 30 percent of the management team in Asia-Pacific are women. The overall numbers of management women has been growing exponentially in the past three to four years.

Australia Post In Deal with Document Handler



Australian Post subsidiary eLetter Solutions has signed a memorandum of understanding with ConnXion, which provides multi-channel document production, delivery, archiving and payment services.

Under the revenue sharing deal, ConnXion's services will carry the eLetter Solutions brand.

Aramex Launches Service for Fashion Retailers

Middle East-based express and freight logistics group Aramex has announced the launch of a logistics service for regional fashion retailers that it says is capable of handling millions of garments a year.

The supply chain solution for the fashion retail industry includes automated technologies and regional distribution systems tailored according to the industry's growing demand.

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UPS Enhances Ground Service in China

United Parcel Service plans to enhance its ground capability in China by opening twenty more branches by the end of next year, according to a Chinese newspaper. UPS invested USD 600 million in China between 2002 to 2007 to boost its capacity and infrastructure.

NZ Post's Unaddressed Mail Venture Starts Trading

Reachmedia, the new joint venture between New Zealand Post and Salmat Limited, started operating unaddressed mail services at the beginning of March. The company brings together Letterbox Channel and Deltarg Distribution Systems, former subsidiaries of New Zealand Post and Salmat.

Blue Dart Considers International Flights

Blue Dart, the DHL Express subsidiary in India, may launch international cargo flights as part of its network expansion. Its airline operation, Blue Dart Aviation, is considering starting day-time flights to international destinations

DHL Bundles Logistics Services for SMEs

DHL Express is targeting small and medium-sized Malaysian businesses with a new range of logistics services combining express, freight forwarding and supply chain management in the SME Logistics Solutions programme.

China Post Visits the Emirates

China Post explored possible links with Emirates Post during an official visit.

Indian Company In Alliance with GLS

Indian express and supply chain management company Gait Limited has entered a strategic alliance with European parcels operator GLS, a subsidiary of Royal Mail.

India Post Looks for Financial Services Alliance

India Post is in talks with postal operators in Europe, the United States and the Middle East about a partnership for financial services. It wants a partner to help it develop and launch value-added financial services in addition to banking services.

Japan Post to Form Joint Venture

Japan Post Co is planning a joint venture with logistics services provider Sankyu Inc to which Sankyu will transfer its international air cargo operation.

Korea Post Wins Award

Korea Post has been named best package delivery service in Korea for the fourth year running. The accolade, from the Korean Management Association, came after Korea Post scored higher than private logistics companies in the Brand Power index.

India Post Launches Franchised Post Offices

India Post has launched a franchise scheme to provide greater access to postal services in areas where it would not be viable to open a post office. The scheme has been extended to new townships, special economic zones, major highway projects, new industrial centres and colleges.

DHL launches its GoGreen carbon neutral service in Asia-Pacific

DHL has launched its GoGreen Express service in Asia-Pacific to allow customers an opportunity to offset the carbon emissions generated by their shipments. The service attracts a three per cent premium.



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