



KLEIN SYSTEMS GROUP LTD. **Pursuing Caribbean Ports** **British Virgin Islands Port Authority implements KleinPort**

The British Virgin Islands Ports Authority (BVIPA) signed a contract in January with Klein Systems Group Ltd. (KSG) to purchase a Port Management Information System.

The system will provide the BVIPA with an integrated operations management, billing system, vessel schedule planning and day-to-day port and cargo operations activities operating on a single Microsoft SQL Server database. The system will integrate information communications between the Virgin Gorda and Tortola ports and other private and governmental organizations, effectively acting as a single portal for all stakeholders in the BVI area

The KleinPort system will import vessel manifests from Agents, schedule arrivals and all related services, integration with AIS signal will update the vessel status and create alerts to the maritime community as necessary. Extensive use of wireless hand-held devices optimizes productivity, from scanning container movements, to break-bulk cargo and warehouse management to gate control and ferry operations.

Mr. Vincent O'Neal, Managing Director at BVIPA is quoted, "**Previously I worked as the Chief Immigration Officer and spearheaded the implementation of technology, a border control and tracking system. When I was appointed the Managing Director of the BVIPA in 2006, I inherited an antiquated system with inefficient workflows. During my tenure I wanted to bring the Port operations into the 22nd century. After expensive research into available systems on the market, and a hands on visit of a team from BVIPA in January 2008 to Cayman Islands Port Authority, the choice was clear; Klein Systems Group Ltd. They brought the experience of working with Ports for over 25 years, with systems deployed around the world from the largest Amsterdam and the State of Queensland, Australia (26 ports) to the Port of Phnom Penh, Cambodia. More importantly, they understood our business and recommended to us where to change our workflows and utilize some of the 'Best Business Practices' that KleinPort already has reconfigured.**

We are all very excited, enthusiastic and committed to this process. To make the most of the new KleinPort system and its warehouse management component, we are installing new rack system at our Warehouses to better utilize the space and assign bin locations for cargo that is tracked by the system. I anticipate BVIPA becoming a 'showcase' for how a Caribbean Port, and the Overseas Territories in particular, can be efficiently managed within a reasonable budget."

The BVIPA system is scheduled for deployment in June 2008.

KSG's technology has currently deployed at numerous port locations in the U.S., Canada and around the world including in the Caribbean the Port Authority of the Cayman Islands and Freeport, Bahamas. Klein sees great potential in the Caribbean and Latin American region and opened an office in Puerto Rico in 2007 to focus on the Caribbean and Central and Latin America.

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