

CHEP Aerospace Solutions launches Focus, its unique ULD management app

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CHEP Aerospace Solutions, the leading independent provider of outsourced unit load device (ULD) and galley cart management services, is pleased to announce the launch of CHEP Focus, a unique mobile application for iOS and Android devices including smartphones and tablets.

The CHEP Focus app simplifies several ULD-related processes which are currently mainly paper-based, and is designed to save time and money for airlines, ground handling agents, freight forwarders and other key industry stakeholders. CHEP Focus records and transmits ULD messages in the standard IATA format, manages and updates stock and serviceability information, submits ad-hoc track and trace requests for individual container and pallet units, and is able to share ULD movement information with configurable recipients via email. The app liaises with CHEP's web-based software tools and ensures accurate and prompt data transfer within the network. CHEP Focus employs leading-edge technologies such as barcode scanning and Optical Character Recognition (OCR) using the mobile device's built-in camera, and has the ability to capture geospatial data on the position of ULDs via location-based services.

CHEP Aerospace Solutions IT Director, Floris Kleijn, said: "Leading the industry in innovation by proactively bringing new products and services to the market is a key driver at CHEP Aerospace Solutions. Our IT strategy promotes the allocation of resources towards the development and enhancement of customer-facing information technology systems that add value for our customers and operations. We are pleased to have been able to develop this mobile software which is the first ULD management app officially launched in the market and offered in the app stores. CHEP Focus improves efficiencies, reduces costs and delivers operational benefits in the ULD sector, and based on the positive feedback received so far we are confident that it will soon play an important part in the day-to-day activities of stakeholders operating in CHEP's network.

Further information

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CHEP Aerospace Solutions, headquartered in Zurich, Switzerland, manages the largest independent global fleet of ULDs, owns an extensive global repair network and offers complete ULD and galley cart outsourcing solutions, including fast access to ULDs through its Short Term Solutions service. CHEP Aerospace Solutions integrates the world's leading independent ULD pooling provider, Unitpool, and two of the industry's most respected maintenance and repair organisations (MROs), JMI Aerospace and Driessen Services, with a network of more than 350 served airports, 48 certified repair centres and 14 regional offices worldwide. CHEP Aerospace Solutions is part of Brambles Limited. For more information on CHEP Aerospace Solutions please visit www.chep.com/aerospace.

Brambles Limited (ASX: BXB) is the world's leading provider of pallet, crate and container pooling solutions through the CHEP and IFCO operating brands. Brambles employs approximately 13,500 people in more than 50 countries. For further information on Brambles and all announcements, presentations and webcasts, please visit www.brambles.com.