Statement by Mrs. Nancy Gakis
AEN General Manager

Today, shipping market is really competitive. It is fair to say that not many companies have the power to influence the market conditions, especially the development of the oil price (being a product of political considerations of few players), the international and national rules, security rules, piracy, environmental considerations, customer audits, port state control inspections and the so-called bureaucratization of shipping.

However, few would argue that there has even been a tougher time for the smaller operators than in today’s industry. Yet such businesses, can and do survive and make the difference. To do so, they need to identify a niche role in the market, one in which we can add value and provide a level of service superior to that offered by their competitors dealing with massive management.
ATTIKI SB
ANNUAL ISM AUDIT (2015)

28th September 2015 was a busy day for our vessel M/V ATTIKI SB and her crew, surrounded by various smaller vessels such as launch boats with attending surveyors, launch boats with stores and supplies and last but not least a barge for bunkering operations.

SHIPPING MARKET REVIEW
by Cpt. Gerasimos Anastasopoulos,
AEN Operations Manager

Freight market in bulk sector faces one of the worst crisis ever occurred.

This a result of many new building deliveries during the last 3 years meeting the insufficient demand and imports slowdown of major economies of India and China.

However, even in depressed markets there are investment opportunities particularly in the S&P segment and with a prudent management we are confident that we may meet the next day with an optimistic spirit.

To our «Δημήτρηδες»:
C/E of Atalanti SB
and
Master & C/E of Aurora SB

OUR BEST WISHES FOR YOUR NAME
DAY!
CHRONIA POLLA!!

From all of us in
A.E. Nomikos Shipping Inv. Ltd
KJCM ANNUAL AUDIT (2015)

As per the A.E.N. procedures, an annual audit was conducted by the DPA – Mr. Evangelos Tsoumpos to KJCM MARITIME CORP., in Manila, Philippines, in order to examine the efficiency and effectiveness of the procedures for recruiting seafarers, and assesses the level of compliance with international laws and regulations concerning the manning of vessels.

- Evaluation of the level of KJCM MARITIME CORP. compliance with MLC 2006.
- Evaluation of the level of compliance with the requirements of the STCW.
- Evaluation of the quality of services provided by KJCM MARITIME CORP.
- Ensure the Company’s seafarers’ access to an efficient and well-regulated recruitment and placement system.
- Ensure that managed ships have competent crew who fully understand their roles and responsibilities and who are capable of working as effective team, with an emphasis on senior officers in order to be committed to a high standard of fleet management and motivated.

Finally, we would like to thank Mr. Arturo Paculdar – KJCM President, Mrs. Nanette Reyes – QAR, Mrs. Helen Galang - Operations Manager and Mrs. Aida Gambalan - Chief Documentation Officer for our excellent cooperation.

Our newly built M/V ATTIKI SB produces her own honey

A beehive was found on board M/V ATTIKI SB that now tends to “bee” the “Honey boat”, as per our Captain Zacharias Chondros comment.

"To Meli mas" is a fine-quality honey from Attiki SB that contains all the goodness of nature. With its velvety texture and great taste it makes any time of day a little bit sweeter and is perfect in delicious home-made desserts. A product for every occasion, pure International "Our Honey" is created from carefully selected varieties of blossom, conifer and thyme honey.

M/V ATTIKI SB
The Green Planet & Flowers Growing Progress

AEN’s Environmental Friendly Program is well known nowadays.

There are many different kinds of plant life, but the flowering plants, or angiosperms, are the most advanced and widespread due to their amazing ability to attract pollinators and spread seeds. Flowers are more than beautiful objects to look at or decorate with; they serve a very important purpose in the reproduction of plants.

Our C/E, Christoforos Blazos, proves to be an expert in the Flower Growing Progress.

Important Note: The flowers were part of the delivery procedure among the Master, the C/E and the DPA.
It is the Company’s belief that emergency response would be characterized by calm and methodical execution of pre-established and well-rehearsed responses. The scope of the System is to provide a standardized source of guidance for decision-making, with quick and logically sequenced procedures, which can reduce errors and oversights during emergency situations. The ERP should be seen as dynamic and should be reviewed on the basis of accumulated experience and analysis. The response procedures must not prevent the individuals who are running the response from being able to act in accordance with their own judgment and with the precepts of good “seamanship”, as they apply to the situation at hand.
ISO 9001:2008

We are pleased to inform you that our Company has been initially certified as per the ISO 9001 Standards on Thursday, 29th October 2015, after the completion of an audit conducted in our premises by the Hellenic Register of Shipping (HRS).

More specifically, A.E. NOMIKOS SHIPPING INVESTMENTS LTD., has established, implements and maintains a Quality Management System (QMS - part of the IMS), and continually improves its effectiveness, in accordance with the requirements of the International Standard ISO 9001.

Additionally, when the Company chooses to outsource (e.g. to charterers, suppliers and subcontractors) a process that may affect product conformity with requirements, the Company ensures full control over such process, as described in the IMS. The above processes needed for the QMS include those for management activities, provision of resources, product realization and measurement.

Consequently, the Top Management ensures that Customer requirements are determined and met, aiming to enhance Customer's satisfaction.

ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 Certifications are part of our continuous and effective efforts on board and ashore for systematic improvement, proper implementation of the Company's procedures and enhancement of all the aspects related to the fulfillment of the Company's mission and vision!

Finally, A.E. Nomikos Shipping Investments Ltd. would like to grasp the opportunity to thank all the involved parties for their contribution to this aim and also remind you that the efforts should be continuous.

We are in the pleasant position to inform you that AEN’s vessels, M/V Arion SB, M/V Atalanti SB, M/V Aurora SB & M/V Alkyoni SB, have managed to win once again the annual AMVER Awards 2015.

Amver (Automated Mutual-Assistance Vessel Rescue System), is a global search and rescue system, sponsored by the United States Coast Guard, that uses commercial ships to assist in search and rescue at sea.

Since all four vessels completed more than 128 days on the Amver plot in a calendar year they took pride for their commitment and for joining those from hundreds of nations providing a worldwide safety network to assist search and rescue coordinators in responding to emergencies at sea.
Editor’s note
By Evangelos Tsoumpos, Naval Architect & Marine Engineer

Welcome to AENews Issue No.4! During these hard times for the shipping industry, we experience busy days in AEN family as you can easily recognize while wandering in our newspaper.

Undoubtedly, our efforts are continuous and we invest in quality by enforcing our system with ISO9001 standards.

From all of us in A.E. Nomikos we wish you a wonderful autumn, and we hope to see you again in the next AENews!

Upcoming Events

External Audit ATTIKI SB

VGP Annual Report

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