

Press Release

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Cotecna teams up with CakeBoxx to improve supply chain security

On October 1, 2007, Cotecna Inc. and CakeBoxx LLC of Aurora, Oregon, signed a teaming agreement under the terms of which Cotecna Inc will assume a consulting role to project manage, train users, assist with the integration of CakeBoxx products into transportation infrastructure and support the conduct of pilot and demonstration tests for new or prospective users. Cotecna will also manage the integration of electronic seals, sensors and tracking technologies to meet individual customer needs.

CakeBoxx is an innovative concept in shipping containers. Its simple top-on-bottom doorless design offers a significant security advantage, while its reduced weight, increased usable capacity and cargo accessibility make it attractive for economic reasons.

The principal objectives of the CakeBoxx concept are to considerably heighten cross-border container security, to thwart cargo theft, to streamline Customs and security inspections, to reduce security related dwell times, and to enable quicker loading and unloading of cargo.

Daine Eisold, Vice President Cotecna Supply Chain Security, said, "CakeBoxx is the first real innovation to the container itself. It's marvelously simple, yet brilliantly conceived. CakeBoxx is a solid security enhancement for a multitude of cargoes. It can be easily adapted into port operations infrastructure and has the design flexibility required to address many of the challenging issues facing shippers today."

Garry Whyte, CakeBoxx President adds, "Teaming with a company such as Cotecna is a real honor. There is a clear business need for a container that is easier to load and easier to trust; a container that holds more cargo and that can be inspected much more quickly than a typical container. We're looking forward to bringing those increased efficiencies to our customers and having Cotecna at our side for a very long time."

For additional information on the CakeBoxx products visit this link: www.cakeboxx.com

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