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1- Mitsui O.S.K. Lines, Ltd (MOL) Sets Goals for 2002 Environment Management System (Japan)

Mitsui O.S.K. Lines, Ltd (MOL) introduced its exclusive environment management system MOL EMS21, targeting its ocean shipping business and covering about 500 MOL-operated vessels including chartered ships ... Last year, in line with existing internal agreements, MOL switched 32% of its reefer containers from the ozone depleting, chlorofluorocarbon refrigerant R-12 to R-134a, which has ozone depletion potential of zero. In 2002, MOL will replace R-12 (CFC) refrigerants with R-134a (HFC) refrigerants in 35% of its refrigerated containers. The company will maximize the use of R-404a as a refrigerant in on-board refrigeration units and air conditioners of newly built vessels ...

Article @: <http://www.mol.co.jp/pr/text/e-pr-2012.html>

Source: Mitsui O.S.K. Lines, Ltd (MOL), Press Release, 17 April 2002

2- Call for Action Over Ozone Danger (Ireland)

The Government has been called on to introduce measures to recover ozone-depleting substances contained in domestic fridges and freezers. The demand was made yesterday by the Labour spokesman on the environment, Mr Eamon Gilmore, who said that the measures were required under EU regulations from last January. 'CFC gases contained in coolant and insulating foam used in fridges and freezers, manufactured prior to 1994, cause particular damage to the ozone layer which, in turn, is believed to be contributing to global warming', he said.

Article @:

<http://globalarchive.ft.com/globalarchive/article.html?id=020402005294&query=ozone+and+layer#docAnchor020402005294>

Source: The Financial Times, Irish Times, 02 April 2002

3- Carrier Announces New Benchmark In Chiller Efficiency

WASHINGTON - Carrier Corporation announced a new technology ... "Evergreen VSS," that combines HFC-134a non-ozone depleting refrigerant and a high efficiency Variable Speed Screw (VSS) compressor-based chiller system. Carrier's new technology incorporates innovations in screw compressor design, advanced materials and manufacturing processes, bearing and lubrication systems, sound and vibration prediction and reduction, advanced variable frequency motor speed control, power factor improvement, harmonic distortion reduction and controls integration. The new technology will be available in the water-cooled chiller market's largest segment - below 500 tons, the size range that represents 60 percent of all large water-cooled chiller sales ... "The new Evergreen VSS technology will provide up to 48 percent better efficiency than comparable tonnage chillers that meet the ASHRAE(1) 90.1 Energy Standard," ...

Article @: <http://globalarchive.ft.com/globalarchive/article.html?id=020325008211&query=%22ozone+depletion%22>

Source: The Financial Times, 25 March 2002

4- FM 200 and Halon Replacement (Nigeria)

Bascom Nigeria Limited held a one day seminar on Tuesday tagged "FM 200 and Halon Replacement". The aim of the seminar is primarily to introduce a new product in the fire fighting and security sector to the Nigerian market ... FM-200 fire suppressant ... Will not harm sensitive equipment, irreplaceable data, or priceless artwork; Will not deplete the stratospheric ozone layer and has minimal direct environmental impact-far less than the effects of a catastrophic fire ...

Article @: <http://allafrica.com/stories/200204180034.html>

Source: "This Day" (Lagos), 18 April 2002, By: Tunde Okoli

5- Bar on Import of Substances with Chlorofluorocarbons

United Arab Emirates - Fujairah Municipality asked local trading companies not to import any substances or equipment that contain gases that could damage the ozone layer ... the municipality's Director, said companies licensed by the municipality have already been notified not to deal with gases proved to be harmful for the ozone layer.

Article @: <http://www.gulf-news.com/Articles/news.asp?ArticleID=47680>

Source: Gulf News, 15 April 2002

6- Meeting on Environment Protection

SYRIA - Damascus, Deputy Commander-in-Chief, and Defense Minister received on Monday a delegation of the environment conference headed by Director General of meteorology and the environment protection in Saudi Arabia. Talks dealt with Syria's commitment to the conference decisions stipulating protection of environment in general and ozone layer in particular as well as the role of the armed forces in protecting the environment.

Article @: <http://www.arab2.com/n/newspaper/syrian-arab-news-agency.htm>

Source: Syrian Arab News Agency (SANA), 09 April 2002, By: Abdo/G.A.Hassoun

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