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## **Pacifica Makes One-Off Timaru Call**

Pacifica Shipping made a rare call at Port of Timaru last week to deliver a single item of break bulk freight made in Hamilton and shipped out of Auckland.

The bag house filter for Fonterra's Edendale factory upgrade was lifted off the coastal ship 'Spirit of Endurance' by mobile crane before being trucked to Southland.

Global Transport's Richard Hyde, the freight project manager, said the 16.5m long, 6.2m diameter filter was one of five delivered in past months to the dairy company.

"Previous shipments carried by an international line could not be accomplished this time, so we needed an alternative," he said.

"These particular over-dimensional loads are too big to move by road from Lyttelton or Dunedin ports, so going with Pacifica to Timaru was the best option."

Pacifica's operations manager, Steve Chapman, said Timaru was not normally part of the ship's weekly east coast schedule.

"However, we can and do make exceptions for significant cargo consignments which have to be moved as promptly and efficiently as possible," he said.

"We managed to fit the out-of-gauge cargo in a protected stowage area, which shows the versatility of what is essentially a purpose designed container carrier."

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