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SCF GROUP UNVEILS REVOLUTIONARY WORLD-FIRST PLASTIC DOOR CONTAINER

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Leading transport equipment supplier SCF Group is set to release its world-first transport container, revolutionising the industry across Australia and the world.

The 40 foot side-door container is the first of its kind utilising moulded plastic bi-fold doors that are light and durable, providing easy access to the container.

For SCF Group Director Richard Sykes the new container has been a labour of love over the past five-and-a-half years.

Mr Sykes said he and his group of engineers had undertaken a lot of trial and error to reach the final design and bring it to market.

“This design is the only of its kind in the world and has already generated a lot of interest here in Australia,” he said.

“Both Queensland Rail and Toll Group are keen to use the container as an alternative to curtain containers, and in fact Toll will be trialling the prototype in the coming month.”

The container has been designed in Adelaide by SCF Group, with the shell being made in China and doors manufactured in partnership with SA plastics moulding company Maxiplas.

The plastic door weighs only 28 kilograms compared to 140 kilograms in steel, and Mr Sykes said he had chosen to transfer some of this weight back into the container shell to improve its strength.

“Unlike a side-curtain container, the plastic doors have the same strength rating as that of a solid walled container,” he said.

SCF Group Director Lindsay Carthew said the container was ideal for palletised freight because of its ability to access and load products along the length of the container rather than only having access from the rear doors.



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“At SCF we are constantly thinking of solutions to our clients needs, so their job is easier and more cost effective,” Mr Carthew said.

“We achieved this when we released our bulk containers with smooth interior walls and floor to stop loose product catching in any grooves.”

He said once production of the plastic side-door container was up to full level then SCF Group would be looking to take it to international markets.

“The European market is about 10 times larger and we hope to be able to tap into it in the near future with this product.”

Established in 1991, the SCF Group is a pioneering leader in logistics, storage and container solutions, which encompasses four divisions; Rail Containers, Tank Containers, Simply Containers and Container Rooms. These brands cater for rail, hazardous liquid transport, small business storage and accommodation.

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