

# THERESE DELMAS

IMO No: 8124371 CONTAINER 1983 / 31041 GT

**COMPANY:**

Delmas Armement,  
France

**YARD INFORMATION:**

Chantiers de l'Atlantique  
St. Nazaire (France) D28

**DEMOLITION:**

Chittagong, 04/01/2021



Hamburg 8/8/1992 © S. Wiedner

**1995:** Sold to French banks (enbloc sale of several Delmas vessels) incl. back charter agreements and purchase options to Delmas.

**2002:** Sold to US Military Sealift Command. **Renamed A1C WILLIAM H. PITSENBARGER (T-AK-4638).**

**2008:** **Renamed BLACK EAGLE** (Tuskegee Shipholding / Red River Shipping Corp USA).

**2020-02:** To Blue Ideas Ltd, Hong Kong. **Renamed K EAGLE.**

**2021-01:** Demolition at Chittagong, 04/01/2021.

**BASIC DATA:**

GT: 31041  
DWT: 32709  
TEU: 1417  
Reefer: 180  
Loa: 189.01 (BB)  
Bmd: 32.21  
Draft: 11.40  
Engine: 1x oil Sulzer 7RLB66  
Power: 10150 kW  
Speed: 17.0 kn  
Cranes: 4x40t, 2x10t

**OWNER & FLAG HISTORY:**

K EAGLE since 01/02/2020  
BLACK EAGLE since 01/10/2008  
A1C WILLIAM H. PITSENBARGER since 01/12/2001  
Flag Date of record Source  
St.Kitts and Nevis since 01/02/2020  
United States of America since 01/01/2002  
Registered owner Date of record Source  
BLUE IDEAS LTD since 07/02/2020  
BLACK EAGLE SHIPPING LLC during 05/2012  
TUSKEEGEE SHIPHOLDING since 07/01/2002  
Ship manager Date of record Source  
BLUE IDEAS LTD since 07/02/2020  
SEALIFT INC during 05/2012  
RED RIVER SHIPPING CORP during 01/2002  
MIDOCEAN IOM LTD since 27/08/2001

**EX-NAMES:**

THERESE DELMAS	1983-01	
A1C WILLIAM H. PITSENBARGER (T-AK-4638)	2001-08	Tuskegee Shipholding Co LLC, USA
BLACK EAGLE	2008-12	Tuskegee Shipholding Co LLC, USA
BLACK EAGLE	2012-20	Black Eagle Shipping LLC, USA
K EAGLE	2020-21	Blue Ideas Ltd, St.Kitts and Nevis

**GENERAL VESSEL INFORMATION:**

**1995:**



The debt-burdened Delmas sold 11 of its container vessels for FRF 800m (USD 147m) to a group of French banks keeping only a small stake in each vessel. The vessels have been taken back on bareboat charter for periods of six or eight years, and Delmas holds an option to buy the vessels back during the charter period, as well as a fixed-price purchase agreement at the end of the period. The vessels sold to the banks are:

- 1984-built, 1,600-TEU container vessels **THERESE DELMAS**, VERONIQUE DELMAS and URSULA DELMAS;
- 1982-built, 1,000-TEU container vessels NATALIE DELMAS, PATRICIA DELMAS, RENEE DELMAS and SUZANNE DELMAS;
- four 1978-built, 920-TEU multi-purpose container vessels of the Direct class.

([www.tradewindsnews.com/weekly/150564/delmas-sells-13-vessels](http://www.tradewindsnews.com/weekly/150564/delmas-sells-13-vessels) - 05 January 1995)

**2001-12:**

**THERESE DELMAS** was sold by the Delmas Line in 2002 and became the prepositioning ship **A1C WILLIAM H PITSENBERGER (T-AK 4638)** as part of the US Military Sealift Command container fleet.

Currently sailing as the **BLACK EAGLE**, the ship is now listed as owned by the Tuskegee Shipholding company and operated by the Red River Shipping company.

BLACK EAGLE is diesel powered with a single shaft and is 189m in length with a beam of 32.3m. She has a speed of 17.5 knots and in the MSC fleet carried a 23-man civilian crew.

([http://ports.co.za/news/article\\_2008\\_12\\_1\\_5234.html](http://ports.co.za/news/article_2008_12_1_5234.html))



**Named A1C WILLIAM H. PITSENBERGER (T-AK-4638)**

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2015:



Sealift Inc is a private shipping company established in 1975. It owns a fleet of six US -flagged geared container ships, consisting of the 3,739 teu LTC JOHN UD PAGE, the 2,141 teu FISHER (ex Crowley's SEA FOX ex USL's AMERICAN HAWAII), the 1,922 teu CAPT. STEVEN L. BENNETT (ex ABC Container Line's TNT EXPRESS), the 1,730 teu CAPT. DAVID I LYON (B-170 - ex POSITANO / CALA POSITANO), the 1,693 teu BLACK EAGLE (ex THERESE DELMAS) and the 703 teu MOHEGAN (Orskov 700 type / ex HELGAFELL).

Sealift is a leading contractor for US Government Food Aid Cargoes and entertains particularly close ties with the US Military Administration.

(Source: Alphaliner Weekly Newsletter 33/2015)

2021:

BLACK EAGLE (8124371; St Kitts & Nevis) (Black Eagle -20, A1C William H. Pitsenbarger -08, Therese Delmas -01) 31,041/83 - Container Ship (Fully Cellular). By Blue Ideas Ltd, Hong Kong, China, to Rising Steel Ltd, Bangladesh and arrived Chittagong, 04/01/2021. Commenced 13/01/2021.

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