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Lindsay Transport Votes Advance No1

Just over a year after launching the fully composite Maxi-CUBE Advance reefer and high cube reefer vans onto the market, transport operators large and small are becoming firmly committed to the Advance.

Kevin Manfield, General Manager, Maxi-CUBE, says that fleet operators have had the opportunity to evaluate the added payload and fridge plant fuel savings that they're gaining with their Advance units and are voting with their order books to equip their fleets with more of the innovative units.

In-house testing by one of Australia's foremost chilled logistics operators, Lindsay Transport, has resulted in a decision by the company to specify the Maxi-CUBE Advance vans when making further additions to their temperature controlled fleet.

Lindsay Transport has compared the payloads, thermal efficiency and refrigeration plant running times of the company's Maxi-CUBE Advance units with other vans in its fleet and has been very impressed by the results.

General Manager, Glen Lindsay, says the lighter tare weight of the Advance units – up to one tonne per 22 pallet van – generates considerable payload gains for the company, which runs its line-haul fleet throughout the Eastern Australian states, from Cairns to Adelaide.

Data collected by Lindsay Australia has also shown that the superior thermal efficiency of the Maxi-CUBE Advance results in a saving of at least 20% in refrigeration plant fuel, when compared to other vans of similar configuration.

"Reduced fuel usage not only means a substantial cost saving to us but, with the fridge plant running for at least 20% less of the time that the unit is operating, we expect to gain a corresponding additional life from fridge motors – and that could save us thousands of dollars over time off the high costs of fridge plant replacement," Glen says.

Lindsay Transport recently took delivery of the first Maxi-CUBE Advance B-Double combinations.

The roll-back 12 pallet Advance leads, teamed with standard Advance vans, both fitted with double loader systems, have been incorporated into the Lindsay fleet to carry fruit and vegetables and chilled and frozen produce on line-haul runs throughout the Eastern states.

Glen says the company has been running Advance vans since Maxi-CUBE released the first units onto the market featuring the revolutionary new fully-composite construction. "We had a couple of teething problems with the early units, but

MaxiTRANS worked through those with us. The way that they responded to have them rectified with little interruption to our operations we regard as a real plus for their after sales service.”

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Maxi-CUBE Advance b-Double combination recently supplied to Lindsay Transport.