

## **August 2004 Stockmarket Report**

August was the holiday month. Most tanker shares came back from their highs and other shipping stocks showed mixed performances. We believe that we are going to see higher prices over the next two months. NOL has been a takeover target. Temasek, the Singapore government's investment arm, has offered shareholders SGD2.80 per share which is considered fair but not exciting.

## **Changes:**

Middle of the month we have made a new addition by purchasing Excel Maritime (15) which had started to catch up compared to the other shipping stocks. They showed an astonishing performance by the end of the month with a price of 23. We have also repurchased DS Norden at 2400, Belships at 11.7 and Torm at 148. The value of our virtual portfolio has increased from 215% to 227.2%.

## Composition of share portfolio:

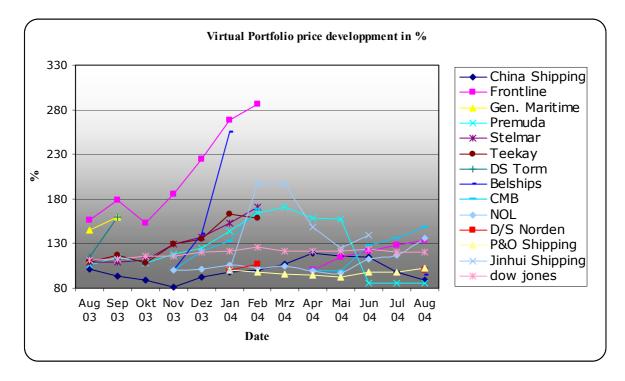
Items in portfolio: 10 (3 purchased in 2003 and 7 in 2004)

Settled transactions: 9, Torm and General Maritime shares sold with 59% profit each in September 2003.

In January 04 Belship shares were sold with 173% profit. In March 04 we sold at profit Frontline with 173%, Stelmar 74%, Teekay 71%, CMB 80% and Norden 21%,

Jinhui with 30%

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## **Participations in ships:**

All direct participations are developing well, the outlook for tanker and container markets are still positive.