

New West African Service for LCT

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New West African link for Tilbury's London Container Terminal

Tilbury's London Container Terminal ("LCT") announces a new weekly service with leading shipping group CMA CGM which will now call at London's major port as part of its Euraf1 service between Northern Europe and West Africa.

The new service will provide competitive transit times allowing amongst other commodities, the export of banana Reefer containers from West Africa to the UK. Six vessels with a capacity of 3,500 TEUs each will sail the following weekly rotation: Tilbury, Dunkerque, Antwerp, Le Havre, Montoir de Bretagne, Tanger Med, Algeciras, Dakar, Abidjan, Dakar, Algeciras, Tilbury. The inaugural call of the rotation in Tilbury took place earlier this week on 10th August.

Commenting on the introduction of the new call, Angela Black, Head of Commercial from London Container Terminal said: *"We are delighted to welcome this new CMA- CGM's EURAF1 service to Tilbury. I am confident that our excellent levels of service at LCT will meet with CMA CGM's expectations, while our current developments such as London Distribution Park plus the build of one of Europe's largest chilled warehousing facilities at the container terminal, so close to London, means that LCT is the ideal port for UK exporters and importers looking to access West Africa."*

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About The Port of Tilbury - the major gateway to London and the South East

The Port of Tilbury is London's major port, providing fast, modern distribution services for the benefit of the south east of England and beyond. A dynamic and diverse port handling the full range of cargoes with specialist expertise in the handling of paper and forest products, containers & Ro Ro, grain and bulk commodities and construction and building materials.

Tilbury's strategic location makes it the natural point for distribution with 18 million people living within 75 miles. Serving the UK's market, the port offers customers excellent transport links to and from the capital and across the South East where over 50% of the population live and work.

The Port is a diverse multi-modal hub, covering over 850 acres and is well positioned to access the M25 orbital motorway and the rest of the UK's national motorway network. In addition, there are direct rail connections within the Port, with access to the whole of the UK and dedicated barge facilities.

London Container Terminal (LCT) provides a unique combination of European Short Sea and Deep Sea services at the same facility. As the UK's third largest container terminal, Tilbury handles over half a million containers per year.

The London Construction Link (LCL) is a collaboration between the Port of Tilbury and S. Walsh, one of the leading construction solutions companies in London. The partnership is seeking to relieve congestion on the capital's roads, with associated cycling safety and CO2 benefits, through promoting greater use of construction consolidation and the use of the river for construction projects on or near the Thames. LCL builds upon the Tilbury's pedigree as the logistics and distribution hub for the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics and S. Walsh's success as the largest marine operator on the Thames. LCL is supported by British Cycling.

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