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YICT Welcomes Inaugural Call of 18,000 TEU Mega-vessel

[24 July 2013, Shenzhen] On 24 July 2013, Yantian International Container Terminals (YICT) welcomed the inaugural call of the world's largest container vessel, the 18,000 TEU *Maersk Mc-Kinney Møller*. YICT and Maersk Line jointly held a ceremony today to celebrate the landmark event with Patrick Lam, Managing Director of YICT; David Skov, Head of Maersk Line South China; and 150 guests from the different departments of the Shenzhen and Yantian governments, in attendance.

Speaking at the ceremony Patrick Lam said, "The choice of YICT as a port-of-call for Maersk's newest and largest containership is a testament to shipping lines' confidence in our expertise when it comes to handling mega-vessels. YICT has the geographical advantage of a deep-water draft together with contiguous berths and state-of-the-art operational technology, making it a preferred port-of-call in the region for mega-vessels and reinforcing its position as a gateway connecting South China and the world."

To date, approximately 95 per cent of the world's 168 mega-vessels with a carrying capacity in excess of 10,000 TEU have called YICT

During the maiden voyage of the *Maersk Mc-Kinney Møller* at YICT, a total of 1,682 containers were handled.

The *Maersk Mc-Kinney Møller* measures 400 metres long, 59 metres wide. It is deployed on the Maersk's Asia-Europe service and is the first of the liner's Triple-E series, which is designed with the three design principles of efficiency, economies of scale and the environment.

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Photo 1: The world's largest container vessel, the 18,000 TEU *Maersk Mc-Kinney Møller* arriving at YICT.

Photo 2: YICT welcomes the *Maersk Mc-Kinney Møller*.

Photo 3: Patrick Lam (right), Managing Director of YICT, and Meinertz (left), captain of the *Maersk Mc-Kinney Møller*, exchange souvenirs at the celebration ceremony.

Photo 4: VIP guests witness the inaugural call of the *Maersk Mc-Kinney Møller* at YICT today.

Notes to Editors

Yantian International Container Terminals (YICT) is a natural deep-water terminal and the leading gateway serving import and export container traffic generated by its immediate cargo hinterlands. With a total of 16 berths and a yard area of 373 hectares, YICT has built up an extensive cargo base which attracts about 40 major shipping lines that provide about 100 weekly services linking to major ports worldwide.

YICT is a member of HPH Trust, the world's first container port business trust, which is listed in Singapore. YICT is also a part of Hutchison Port Holdings' (HPH) global network of port and logistics operations, and continues to have access to services and resources enjoyed by companies within the HPH Group.

HPH, a subsidiary of the multinational conglomerate Hutchison Whampoa Limited, is the world's leading port investor, developer and operator.