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THE Alliance goes strengthened into 2018

33 services covering all East West trade lanes with 250 modern and most efficient ships / Short transit times / Fast shuttle services / Dedicated Middle East loops / New Indian Sub-Continent PSW pendulum service / Comprehensive port coverage with over 81 ports in Asia, North Europe, the Mediterranean, North and Central America, the Middle East as well as India

After a successful first year of cooperation, today the members of THE Alliance announced the details for their enhanced product effective from April 2018. THE Alliance plans to deploy a fleet of more than 250 modern ships in the Asia /Europe, North Atlantic and Trans-Pacific trade lanes including the Middle East and the Arabian Gulf/Red Sea.

“After one year of cooperation we are proud to say that our services and the network improved significantly“, said the member carriers Hapag-Lloyd, Ocean Network Express and Yang Ming in a statement. “The business is well on track in operational terms and with the delivery of several new big ships we are able to serve our customers even better.” The comprehensive network of 33 services would connect more than 81 major ports throughout Asia, North Europe, the Mediterranean, North America, Canada, Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, Indian Sub-Continent and the Middle East with fast transit times and a wide range of direct port-port-connections.

The new product of THE Alliance will feature eight services in the Asia/Europe trade including three services covering the Mediterranean market. 16 joint services will be operated by THE Alliance members on the Trans Pacific trade. Seven loops will serve the

North Atlantic trade covering a wide range of North European and Mediterranean ports as well as those in the US, Canada and Mexico and two in Middle East. The base-plan port rotations of the total 33 services will be as follows:

Asia and North Europe

FE 1:

Kobe – Nagoya – Shimizu – Tokyo – South East Asia Hub – Jeddah – Rotterdam – Hamburg – Southampton – Le Havre – South East Asia Hub – Kobe

FE 2:

Xingang– Qingdao – Shanghai – Ningbo – Hong Kong – South China – South East Asia Hub – Southampton – Le Havre – Hamburg – Rotterdam –Jebel Ali – Hong Kong– Xingang

FE 3:

Hong Kong – Xiamen – Kaohsiung – South China– Rotterdam – Hamburg – Antwerp – Le Havre – London Gateway – South East Asia Hub – Hong Kong

FE 4:

Pusan – Ningbo – Shanghai – Rotterdam – Hamburg – Antwerp – Southampton – South China – Shanghai – Pusan

FE 5:

Laem Chabang – Cai Mep – South East Asia Hub – Colombo – Rotterdam – Hamburg – Antwerp – Southampton – Jeddah – Colombo – South East Asia Hub – Laem Chabang

Asia and the Mediterranean

MD 1:

Qingdao – Pusan – Shanghai – Ningbo – South China – South East Asia Hub – Damietta – Barcelona – Valencia – Tangier – Damietta – South East Asia Hub – Hong Kong – Qingdao

MD 2:

Pusan – Qingdao – Ningbo – Shanghai – Kaohsiung – South China – South East Asia Hub – Piraeus – Genoa – La Spezia – Fos – Piraeus – South East Asia Hub – Hong Kong – Pusan

MD 3:

Pusan – Shanghai – Ningbo – South China – South East Asia Hub – Jeddah – Ashdod – Istanbul (Ambarli) – Izmit – Izmir/Aliaga – Mersin – (Ashdod) – Jeddah – South East Asia Hub – Kaohsiung – Pusan

Asia and the Middle East

AGX:

Pusan – Qingdao – Shanghai – Ningbo – South China – South East Asia Hub – Jebel Ali – Jubail – Dammam – Abu Dhabi – Jebel Ali – South East Asia Hub – Ningbo – Pusan

AGX2:

Shanghai – Ningbo – Kaohsiung – Xiamen – South China – South East Asia Hub – Jebel Ali – Hamad – Umm Qasar – Jebel Ali – South East Asia Hub – Kaohsiung – Shanghai

Trans Pacific – West Coast

PN 1:

Shanghai – Qingdao – Nagoya – Tokyo – Tacoma – Vancouver – Tokyo – Nagoya – Kobe – Shanghai

PN 2:

South East Asia Hub – Laem Chabang – Cai Mep – Kaohsiung – South China – Tacoma – Vancouver – Tokyo – Kobe – Kaohsiung – South East Asia Hub

PN 3:

Hong Kong – South China – Ningbo – Shanghai – Pusan – Vancouver – Seattle – Pusan – Hong Kong

PS 1:

Kobe – Nagoya – Tokyo – Sendai – Los Angeles – Oakland – Tokyo – Nagoya – Kobe

PS 2:

Kobe – Nagoya – Shimizu – Tokyo – Long Beach – Oakland – Tokyo – Kobe

PS 3:

South East Asia Hub – Laem Chabang – Cai Mep – Los Angeles – Oakland – Pusan – Shanghai – Ningbo – South China – South East Asia Hub – Nhava Sheva – Pipavav – Colombo – South East Asia Hub

PS 4:

Hong Kong – South China – Kaohsiung – Keelung – Los Angeles – Oakland – Keelung – Kaohsiung – Xiamen – Hong Kong

PS 5:

Shanghai – Ningbo – Los Angeles – Oakland – Shanghai

PS 6:

Qingdao – Ningbo – Shanghai – Pusan – Long Beach – Oakland – Tokyo – Qingdao

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PS 7:

Hong Kong – South China – Los Angeles – Oakland – Hong Kong

PS 8:

Xingang – Qingdao – Shanghai – Pusan – Pacific North West – Los Angeles – Tacoma – Pusan – Kwangyang – Xingang

Trans Pacific – East Coast (via Panama and Suez)

EC 1:

Ningbo – Shanghai – Pusan – Tokyo – (Panama Canal) – Manzanillo – Savannah – Jacksonville – Charleston – Norfolk – Manzanillo – (Panama Canal) – Balboa – Los Angeles – Oakland – Tokyo – Kobe – Ningbo

EC 2:

Qingdao – Ningbo – Shanghai – Pusan – (Panama Canal) – Manzanillo – New York – Boston – Wilmington – Savannah – Charleston – Manzanillo – (Panama Canal) – Pusan – Qingdao

EC 3:

Kaohsiung – Xiamen – Hong Kong – South China – Shanghai – (Panama Canal) – Manzanillo – Savannah – Jacksonville – Norfolk – Manzanillo – (Panama Canal) – Balboa – Pusan – Kaohsiung

EC 4:

Kaohsiung – Hong Kong – South China – Cai Mep – South East Asia Hub – (Suez Canal) – New York – Norfolk – Savannah – Charleston – New York – (Suez Canal) – South East Asia Hub – Kaohsiung

EC 5:

Laem Chabang – Cai Mep – South East Asia Hub – Colombo – (Suez Canal) – Halifax – New York – Savannah – Jacksonville – Norfolk – Halifax – (Suez Canal) – Jebel Ali – South East Asia Hub – Laem Chabang

Trans-Atlantic

AL 1:

Rotterdam – Bremerhaven – Antwerp – London Gateway – Norfolk – Philadelphia – New York – Halifax – Rotterdam

AL 2:

London Gateway – Le Havre – Rotterdam – Bremerhaven – New York – Charleston – Savannah – London Gateway

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AL 3:

Antwerp – Bremerhaven – London Gateway – Charleston – Port Everglades – Houston – Savannah – Norfolk – Antwerp

AL 4:

London Gateway – Antwerp – Bremerhaven – Le Havre – Veracruz – Altamira – Houston – New Orleans – London Gateway

AL 5:

Southampton – Rotterdam – Hamburg – Antwerp – Le Havre – Savannah – Cartagena – Puerto Quetzal – Long Beach – Oakland – Tacoma – Vancouver – Oakland – Long Beach – Balboa – Cartagena – Caucedo – Savannah – Southampton

AL 6:

Salerno – Livorno – La Spezia – Genoa – Fos – New York – Baltimore – Norfolk – Savannah – Salerno

AL 7:

Barcelona – Valencia – Algeciras – Halifax – New York – Norfolk – Savannah – Valencia – Tarragona

The service network of THE Alliance is expected to cover more than 19 ports in Asia including seven Chinese and five Japanese ports with direct calls as well as 21 ports in the US and Canada, seven North European and 17 Mediterranean ports, seven ports in the Middle East and Red Sea, three Indian Sub-Continent ports, and seven ports in Central America/Caribbean.

Through this robust network, THE Alliance will offer a superior, reliable, efficient, and wide ranging product suite to shippers in the East/West lanes. The partners of THE Alliance will keep the market informed about further steps and the final, more precise service rotations and terminal selection.

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In addition to the extensive product enhancement, as of 1 April 2018 the three Japanese members of THE Alliance; MOL, NYK, and K-Line will combine their container operations into Ocean Network Express (ONE). ONE will continue to be a core member of the streamlined THE Alliance partnership along with Hapag-Lloyd and Yang Ming.

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