



DP WORLD BEGINS 'MOVING LIVES'

Dubai 18 October 2006: - DP World has launched a community relations programme focusing on mobility with the donation of a specially designed van for wheelchair users in Sharjah and the northern Emirates, and six wheelchairs to children with cerebral palsy at a special needs school in Dubai.

The 'Moving Lives' community relations programme is aimed at organisations concerned with helping people with disabilities more actively participate in society. DP World has chosen this theme in recognition that mobility is fundamental to allowing people to become involved in education and employment.

Jamal Majid Bin Thaniah, Group CEO of Ports & Freezone World (P&F World), which oversees DP World, said:

"We are delighted to be able to contribute in this way. According to UN figures, there are more than 10 million severely disabled people amongst the Arab population in the region and approximately 10% of the world's population is born with or develop a disability during their lifetime. This figure rises to 20% in developing countries.

"As a global company operating in many emerging markets, we feel we can make a difference in the communities in which we operate by concentrating our community relations efforts on helping people with disabilities become more mobile."

Mohammed Al Muallem, Senior Vice President and Managing Director of DP World's UAE region said:

"The movement of goods has allowed Dubai and DP World to grow and prosper. In many ways this mirrors what happens within a community when people are able to better connect and integrate within society, participating in education and employment.

"We hope, initially in this small way, with our contribution to helping people become more mobile, that we can make a difference."

The van is being donated to the Sharjah City for Humanitarian Services, while the wheelchairs will be for the benefit of children undergoing treatment in the cerebral palsy wing at Sheikh Rashid Paediatric Centre based in Dubai.

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Caption to accompanying pic:

Mouna Abdul Karim, Director at the Sharjah City for Humanitarian Services explains to Jamal Majid Bin Thaniah, Group CEO of Ports & Freezone World (P&F World), (left) the work undertaken by their school for the children with special needs.

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DP World invests in the infrastructure, facilities and people at its operations to further enhance the customer's experience and satisfaction, and increase trade. It also invests ahead of demand, working closely with customers and business partners to ensure capacity and services are in place when customers need them.

In taking this customer-centric approach, DP World is building on the relationships with customers and superior level of service established at its flagship operation in Dubai, Port Rashid and Jebel Ali, which has been voted "Best Seaport in the Middle East" for 12 consecutive years.

DP World's international achievements were recognised in 2006 when DP World won Lloyd's List's prestigious Port Operator of the Year Award.

In 2006, DP World acquired P&O, including P&O Ports. The combined throughput of both companies for 2005 was more than 36 million TEU (twenty-foot equivalent container units) across ports from the Americas to Asia.

Today, DP World has a global capacity of more than 50 million TEU and a dedicated, experienced and professional team of 34,000 people providing services in some of the most dynamic economies in the world. Significant expansion is underway in key markets around the world, including in India, China and the Middle East.

