



## NEW CRANES FOR DP WORLD DJAZAIR TO ADD TO EFFICIENCY

### Arrival of twin mobile harbour cranes contributes extra muscle to handling capacity at Algeria's premier seaport

**Algiers, Algeria, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 20 July 2010:** - Productivity and customer service is set to increase further at DP World Djazair with the arrival of two state-of-the-art mobile harbour cranes (MHCs).

DP World Djazair is a joint venture between global port operator DP World and the Algiers Port Authority (EPAL).

The commissioning of the MHCs continues DP World's investment in the facility, where it has a 30-year operating concession. The twin cranes will further contribute to the efficiency of the port, improving the supply chain and flow of goods for importers and exporters. DP World Djazair handles more than 60 per cent of Algiers' container volumes.

**Joost Kruijning, Senior Vice President & Managing Director, DP World, Africa** said: "DP World's investment pattern is consistent with the Government of Algeria's strategy to develop the ports of Algiers and Djen Djen in line with the country's national interests. With the commissioning of the two mobile harbour cranes Phase I of the investment and development plan for DP World Djazair has been successfully concluded.

"We take this opportunity to reiterate our commitment to work closely with the Algerian authorities in continuing to meet our obligations as strategic partners and stakeholders in the development of their port infrastructure. We look forward to beginning Phase II of the investment and development plan, which will happen once the granting authorities commence their concession agreement obligations."

**Mohamed Al Khadar, General Manager, DP World Djazair,** said:

"The arrival of the mobile harbour cranes will give a major boost to the handling capacities of DP World Djazair and bring direct benefits to the shipping lines serving Algiers. We expect the cranes to be commissioned by the end of this month and fully operational by the middle of August. The cranes have twin pick handling capability, which is a first in Algiers and as such sets DP World Djazair apart from the other terminals in the port."

DP World Djazair has been in operation since March 2009 and DP World Djen Djen since April 2009. The global port operator has sent several Algerian port employees for special training courses at its terminals in Djibouti, Dakar and Dubai.

**-END-**