



## **NEW STATE OF ART CRANES FOR DP WORLD ADEN**

### **DP World continues investment in Aden's infrastructure and its people**

**Aden, Yemen, 6 June 2010:** - DP World Aden has this weekend (June 4-5) received six new state-of-the-art rubber tyred gantry (RTG) cranes to further add to the customer service capability of the container terminal. The six new RTGs take to 12 the number of new cranes delivered to Aden this year, with two giant quay cranes ordered for delivery in the second half of next year.

In line with DP World's commitment to training and development of its people, more than 20 local Yemeni crane operators have received specialised training to handle the equipment and a further 20 mechanics and electricians have attended training seminars to prepare to maintain the cranes.

DP World has also installed sophisticated IT port management systems, developed in-house, to further increase efficiency, conducting on-site training as part of the roll out.

**Senior Vice President and Managing Director, DP World, Middle East region, Captain Faisal Al Qahtani said:**

"We are committed to investing in the safety and security of the terminal and our people, IT, equipment and human resources to make sure our customers have the best possible service. We have over-delivered on our original agreement, reflecting our confidence in the future of Aden and of Yemen. We have been pleased with the support we have received from the Yemeni Prime Minister and Minister of Transport along with other officials. We will continue to work to deliver a top quality facility that improves efficiency for Yemen's exporters and importers."

**DP World Aden Managing Director Arif Bin Adhed added:**

"With the commissioning of 12 new RTGs, DP World Aden grows from strength to strength, contributing to the growth of the local economy. We are also committed to the wider local community and we are an active contributor to that community. We are involved in two major Aden-based community initiatives, the Ras Morbat Clinic and Training Centre. The two projects are creating critical medical capacity, and helping match skills to available jobs in the local economy."

The initiative includes underwriting two two-year training programmes for staff doctors in the area of paediatrics and ophthalmology at the University of Aden, with supplementary four-week annual training at Oasis Hospital in the UAE. Additional DP World funding goes towards construction and operation of the Ras Morbat Institute, training local residents in advanced woodwork and carpentry, along with the skills to run their own businesses.

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***Photo Caption: the new RTG cranes at DP World Aden***

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### **About DP World**

DP World is one of the largest marine terminal operators in the world, with 49 terminals and 12 new developments across 31 countries<sup>(1)</sup>. Its dedicated, experienced and professional team of nearly 30,000 people serves customers in some of the most dynamic economies in the world.

DP World aims to enhance customers' supply chain efficiency by effectively managing container, bulk and other terminal cargo.

The company constantly invests in terminal infrastructure, facilities and people, working closely with customers and business partners to provide quality services today and tomorrow, when and where customers need them.

In taking this customer-centric approach, DP World is building on the established relationships and superior level of service demonstrated at its flagship Jebel Ali facility in Dubai, which has been voted "Best Seaport in the Middle East" for 15 consecutive years.

In 2009, DP World handled more than 43.4 million TEU (twenty-foot equivalent container units) across its portfolio from the Americas to Asia – a decline of 6% over 2008. With a pipeline of expansion and development projects in key growth markets, including India, China and the Middle East, capacity is expected to rise to around 95 million TEU over the next ten years.

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(1) As of January 2010.

