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LNG TERMINAL: FIRST STONE LAID



On 5 October 2012 the CEO of EDF, Henri Proglio, laid the first stone of the LNG terminal, in the presence of Michel Delebarre, MP and Mayor of Dunkirk and President of Dunkirk Urban Community, and Christine Cabau Woehrel, Chair of Dunkerque-Port's Executive Committee. The Dunkirk LNG terminal, which is scheduled to begin operating at the end of 2015, is the second-largest industrial project in France, after the Flamanville EPR. The terminal will be able to berth the largest LNG tankers in the world and store 13 billion cubic metres of gas a year, corresponding to 20% of the annual consumption of natural gas in France and Belgium

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DOUBLED FREQUENCY FOR RAIL SHUTTLE

One year after the launch of a weekly rail shuttle between Dunkirk's Flanders Terminal and the Bonneuil-sur-Marne Terminal in the Greater Paris Area, GREENMODAL (a company of the CMA CGM Group specialising in intermodal transport) is doubling the frequency of the service.

As of 10 December 2012 the combined transport operator GREENMO-DAL will run two 80-TEU* shuttles a week between the Port of Dunkirk and the south-east of the Paris Area. The operator's aim is to provide a multi-line combined transport offer for the many shippers in the south-eastern suburbs of Paris. This new link is available to all marine operators, and is scheduled to synchronise with the calls of mother ships at Dunkirk, operating

overnight. It will leave Dunkirk every Monday and Wednesday evening for delivery at Bonneuil-sur-Marne on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, and leave the Paris area on Tuesday and Thursday evenings to arrive at Dunkirk every Wednesday and Friday morning. With a port railway network comprising more than 200 km of tracks and traffic in excess of 10 MT, the Port of Dunkirk has long been involved in consolidating its overland transport volumes



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PORT VISIT



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the operators of the different sectors. The delegation, composed of executives from the Port of Dakar and ◆ TRAFFIC



DUNKIRK, A HEAVY LOAD PORT

On 12 October 2012 an alternator stator measuring 14.36 x 4.90 x 4.065 m and weighing 344 T, from Gravelines nuclear power plant and bound for Strasbourg, was loaded from the Lorraine quay.

The operation took place as part of the maintenance programme for EDF's electricity generation installations. EDF regularly has

to ship replacement machinery of exceptional size and weight to its power plants ■







