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FESCO'S SHIPPING AGENT BURGER FERON OFFERS NEW WEEKLY CONTAINER SERVICE BETWEEN DUNKIRK AND ST PETERSBURG

FESCO (The Far Eastern Shipping Company), Russia's leading shipping company, with its headquarters in Moscow, has just appointed BURGER FERON as its agent in France.

FESCO is one of the largest Russian logistics operators having all the facilities needed for transport to, from and through Russia. In addition to the maritime sector (the Group owns a fleet of 100 ships, including 30 container carriers), **FESCO** also operates port terminals in Russia, including Vladivostok and Sochi, and provides container transport by rail with its own fleet of wagons and locomotives. Thus, the Group offers rail services for the overland transport of containers (block trains on the Russian domestic market and also between Russia and China and between Russia and western Europe). With its dedicated fleet of ships (direct or by slots with other shipping companies), **FESCO** connects France with Russia by a direct line from Dunkirk to St Petersburg and back, as well as with the ports of eastern Russia such as Vostochny, Vladivostok, Korsakov and Magadan.

FESCO also offers maritime transport solutions for all types of goods with all types of containers (dry, 45', reefers, special equipment).

This appointment of **BURGER FERON (SEALOGIS Group)** demonstrates the intention of the shipowner **FESCO** to develop its positions in western Europe and particularly on the French market.

FESCO NWE's General Director Erik Van Dijken said: «The structure of our Group, our multimodal whose headquarters is in Dunkirk, is the joint venture set up in France in December 2012 by **SEALOGIS** and the **ROYAL BURGER** Group, and is involved in the representation of regular lines (liner agencies), port services and overland transport.

«We are delighted with the arrival of the Russian shipowner and multimodal group **FESCO** on the French market. This decision is the fruit of several years' work and is a motivating challenge on a growing market just months before the Sochi Winter Olympics. **BURGER FERON** is proud to have been chosen as its agent in France,» explained Christophe Buisson, CEO of **BURGER FERON**.

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France's third-ranking port, Dunkirk is well known as a port handling heavy bulk cargoes for its numerous industrial installations. It has also built its reputation in other sectors such as cross-Channel RORO traffic to Great Britain, containers, fruit, etc. Classified as the seventh port of the North Europe Range which extends from Le Havre to Hamburg, Dunkirk is also the leading French port for ore and coal imports, France's leading port for containerised fruit imports, and the country's second-ranking port for trade with Great Britain.