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MSC GATE BREMERHAVEN PUTS TWO NEW CONTAINER GANTRIES INTO SERVICE

Bremerhaven, 25 March 2021 –MSC Gate Bremerhaven GmbH & Co. KG has confirmed delivery acceptance of two new container gantries manufactured by Liebherr. The two gantry cranes, which have been assembled on site at the Bremerhaven terminal since autumn 2020 and were placed on the quayside crane track in mid-February, have thus now officially been put into service. Commissioning and instruction of the operators will follow in the coming days to enable the gantries to be deployed operationally as quickly as possible.

Friedrich Stuhmann, Managing Director of MSC Gate Bremerhaven, is pleased about this milestone: *"The commissioning of the new gantries sets us up in the short term to continue to keep pace with the current trend in the ship sizes of our customers going forward. At the same time, it reaffirms that we are prepared to invest in the expansion and further development of our handling equipment for the benefit of our customers and the Bremerhaven location. Now other important measures to ensure we remain competitive, such as upgrading the riverside quay (Stromkaje) and the Outer Weser fairway adjustment must follow as soon as possible. It is imperative that the world's biggest mega containers vessels can dock here at our terminals with as few restrictions as possible."*

The new container gantries have an overall height of 135 metres, a lifting height of 51.2 metres below the spreader and a reach of 73 metres. The gantries are thus able to handle container ships with 25 rows of containers on deck without restrictions. The size and dimensions of the new container gantries are geared to all container



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ship classes currently in operation, including the new MSC Megamax-24 class. Even if ships become still longer and wider in future, the new gantry cranes will be able to operate without hindrance.

About MSC Gate:

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