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## **APM Terminals Tangier Winner for “Safety at Work”**

### **The 2009 Safety Award is announced in Morocco by the Ministry of Industry, Trade and New Technologies and Ministry of Labour and Professional Training**

**Rabat, Morocco** – APM Terminals Tangier was announced the winner of the 6<sup>th</sup> Edition of the national “Safety at Work” Award for 2009 in a ceremony in the Moroccan capital of Rabat, presided over by the Minister of Industry, Trade and New Technologies, Ahmed Reda Chami. The facility won in the largest of the three categories of entries in the competition.

“We are very proud to receive this special recognition of our safety program” said APM Tangier Terminal’s Managing Director Etienne Rocher, adding “For us, the safety improvement process is an on-going part of our daily operations”.

APM Terminal Tangier, which opened in the newly constructed Tanger-Med port in August of 2007 with an annual capacity of 1.8 million TEUs has rapidly emerged as an important transshipment hub on the Straits of Gibraltar.

Noted APM Terminals’ Head of Health, Safety, Security and Environment, Henrik Kristensen in The Hague, “This is a great distinction that our colleagues in Morocco have earned, but we must keep in mind that as far as we all are concerned this is just a start- our goal remains zero accidents in the workplace, and the elimination of risk for our employees due to avoidable actions”.

In 2008, APM Terminals launched a “Safety Culture” initiative of advanced safety training and workshops at each of the terminals in the APM Terminals Global Terminal Network, and has seen an impressive decline in Lost Time Injury Frequency (LTIF) rate by 43% to 4.1 for 2009 world-wide, as compared 7.15 at the start of 2008. The initiative aims for zero accidents through a comprehensive safety culture program to foster a safety mindset and targeting of unsafe acts.

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## About APM Terminals

### – providing the port infrastructure to drive global commerce

APM Terminals operates a Global Terminal Network of 50 terminals with 19,000 employees in 34 countries that provide the port infrastructure essential to international transportation and global economic growth. The liner shipping industry, served by APM Terminals and other operators, carries \$4.6 trillion worth of international trade - approximately one third of the total value of global commerce.

The company works closely with the international shipping community and national governments to reduce costs, deliver operational excellence and improve market access worldwide. Access to modern marine infrastructure drives local, regional and international market competitiveness and economic development. In 2007, the global shipping industry provided 4.2 million jobs worldwide, representing compensation of \$27.2 billion, and accounted for \$29.4 billion in capital investment, generating \$183.3 billion to global GDP, according to a recent study commissioned by the World Shipping Council.

For logistics professionals, the Global Terminal Network plays an important role in supply chain management with location, capacity, flexibility and efficiency clearly linked to supply chain success and port-centric logistics.

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