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Hutchison Ports Yantian Welcomes the World's Largest Container Vessel Evergreen Marine “Ever Ace” on Her Maiden Voyage

(Shenzhen Yantian, 18 August 2021) On 11 August 2021, the world’s largest container vessel, “Ever Ace” under Evergreen Marine, called at Berth #16 of Hutchison Ports Yantian (Yantian) on her maiden voyage. Yantian welcomed the vessel with water cannon salute, the highest courtesy of the industry.

With a deck area of nearly four soccer fields, “Ever Ace” is 400 meters long, and is 63 meters longer than the world's largest aircraft carrier in service. It has a carrying capacity of 23,992 TEU which, if being connected end to end, can stretch all the way from Shenzhen to Guangzhou. “Ever Ace” is the first of the ten 24,000-TEU class mega ships of Evergreen Marine. Her sister vessels “Ever Act”, “Ever Aim”, and “Ever Alp” will be put into operations this year and will also berth at Yantian.

“Ever Ace” is the largest container vessel calling at Yantian Port ever. During its inaugural call at Yantian, 8,200 TEU were handled, marking the largest number of container handled in the ports on her maiden voyage. Moreover, after cargo handling in Yantian, the vessel are now shipping 21,718 TEU, which set a new world record of the number of containers carried by a single container vessel.

Operating on Evergreen’s Europe Express Service, “Ever Ace” set off from Qingdao Port on July 30, and headed south with a port rotation of Shanghai, Ningbo, Taipei and Yantian. Yantian is her only port of call in South China. After departing Yantian, the vessel will sail directly to Europe and is expected to arrive at Port of Rotterdam in 23 days.

“Yantian has been an important partner of Evergreen Line for a long time, and it is also a terminal-of-choice for ultra-large container vessels in the world. We choose Yantian as the only port of call of “Ever Ace” in South China, signifying a vote of confidence in a number of

key factors such as its capabilities and capacities in serving mega vessels and the abundant cargo sources coming from the cargo catchment areas. We believe we will have more closer cooperation with Yantian in the future!" said by Evergreen Shenzhen.

Welcoming Ever Ace's maiden voyage to Yantian, Lawrence Shum, Managing Director of Hutchison Ports Yantian also highlighted the unique offerings of mega vessel operation of Yantian. "We are very pleased with Ever Ace, the largest container vessel in the world, berthing at our facility in Yantian. The combined facilities of Yantian can handle up to five mega-vessels each with deadweight over 200,000 tons simultaneously which provides the big container shipping alliances with the capacity and flexibility to include Yantian in their network. As a key container operator of Shenzhen and South China, YANTIAN serves over 1/3 of the import and export container traffic of Guangdong province." said Mr Shum.

As a preferred port-of-call for mega-vessels, Yantian has 20 deep-water container berths, capable of serving mega-vessels 24/7. Since January 2020, Yantian has served more than 660 mega-vessels with carrying capacity of over 18,000 TEU, contributing to China's robust growth in international trade amid world challenging times.

Facts about Ever Ace:

- Length – 400 metres
- Breadth – 62 metres
- Depth – 33.2 metres
- Maximum Capacity – 23,992 TEU (twenty foot equivalent unit)

About Hutchison Ports Yantian

Hutchison Ports Yantian is the leading gateway serving import and export container traffic. Characterised by its natural deep-water berths and unparalleled mega-vessel handling capabilities, Yantian is the preferred port-of-call for mega-vessels in South China and one of the busiest container terminals in the world.

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Photograph 1



Photo caption: Hutchison Ports Yantian welcomed Ever Ace with water cannon salute, the highest courtesy of the industry.

Photograph 2



Photo caption: Ever Ace berthing at Hutchison Ports Yantian.

Photograph 3



Photo caption: Ever Ace berthing at Hutchison Ports Yantian at night.

Photograph 4

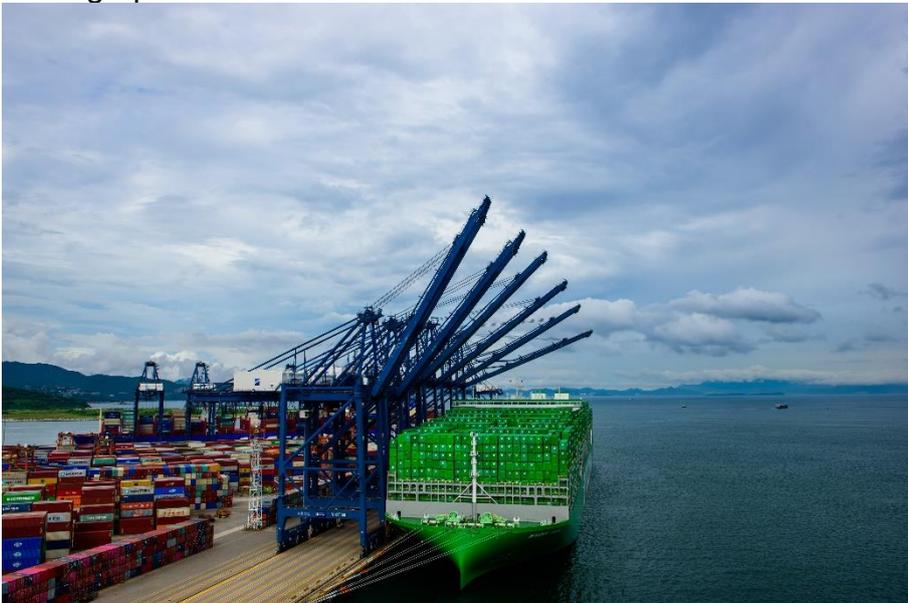


Photo caption: After finishing the operation at Yantian, Ever Ace sails directly to Europe.

Photograph 5



Photo caption: Ever Ace leaving Yantian carrying 21,718 TEU.