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WEC LINES LAUNCHES NWC SPAIN SERVICE

WEC Lines is pleased to announce the carrier has revamped the existing UK IE Spain service, renamed NWC Spain, running from Le Havre and Bilbao into the UK and Ireland into a weekly service while adding Antwerp, Montoir-de-Bretagne and Gijón to the rotation.

As from September 27th, WEC Lines will start running the NWC Spain service. By adding a second vessel to its service, Dutch shipping liner and owner establishes a fast weekly sailing route from Bilbao & Gijón to Dublin and Liverpool. By departing from Bilbao on Fridays and arriving in Liverpool on Mondays and in Dublin on Wednesdays, this service offers a fast and reliable alternative to truck transport from Spain into the UK and Ireland.

In addition, short transit times ex Antwerp and Montoir-de-Bretagne to Bilbao are offered - 7 days and 2 days respectively - facilitating seamless onward rail connections to Barcelona, Valencia, Madrid, Zaragoza, and Agoncillo (La Rioja). From Liverpool fast rail connections are offered into Belfast, Mossend, and Greenock.

The ports of call include Antwerp, Le Havre, Montoir, Bilbao, Gijón, Liverpool and Dublin, forming a well-connected bridge between these vital trade hubs. The new weekly service will be performed by two dedicated 812 & 822-TEU vessels in a weekly, fixed day rotation, providing customers with a heightened level of flexibility and efficiency.

“By adding a second vessel to our existing service, we offer a fast and reliable solution for our Spanish clients into Northwestern Europe and vice versa”, stated Caesar Luikenaar, Managing Director WEC Lines. “This underlines our commitment to respond to market demand while offering continued optimal solutions for our existing client base.

For inquiries, bookings, and more information about WEC Lines services, please visit www.weclines.com or contact your local representative.

NWC Spain Sailing Schedule	
Port	Day
Antwerp	Friday
Le Havre	Monday
Montoir	Wednesday
Gijón	Thursday
Bilbao	Friday
Liverpool	Monday
Dublin	Wednesday
Antwerp	Friday

Transit times ->	Antwerp	Le Havre	Montoir	Gijón	Bilbao	Liverpool	Dublin
Antwerp	-	3 days	5 days	6 days	7 days	10 days	12 days
Le Havre	11 days	-	2 days	3 days	4 days	7 days	9 days
Montoir	9 days	-	-	1 day	2 days	5 days	7 days
Gijón	8 days	11 days	13 days	-	1 day	4 days	6 days
Bilbao	7 days	10 days	12 days	-	-	3 days	5 days
Liverpool	4 days	7 days	9 days	10 days	11 days	-	2 days
Dublin	2 days	5 days	7 days	8 days	9 days	-	-

NOTE TO EDITORS

WEC Lines is a medium-sized container shipping line with intermodal connections via rail and barge. Operating 16 vessels, the carrier has +50 years of experience in connecting Northwestern Europe with Southern Europe, North & East Africa and the Red Sea.

Headquartered in Rotterdam, WEC Lines has 17 local offices in e.g. Felixstowe, Hamburg, Antwerp, Barcelona, Lisbon, Casablanca, Mombasa, and Nairobi as well as a large worldwide agency network. The company is continuously exploring ways to further optimize services to its valued customers, fostering sustainability, and delivering superior customer experiences.

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