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SICT Welcomes New Manila Service of TMSC

[27 March 2009 – Hong Kong] – On 22 March, Shantou International Container Terminals (SICT) welcomed the maiden call of the Sky Express, marking the commencement of the SCP1 Service of Tianjin Marine Shipping (TMSC).

The 328-TEU Sky Express, the sole ship of the service, will help TMSC meet the demands of the growing trade between eastern Guangdong and Manila. The vessel will call at SICT every Sunday on a rotation of Quanzhou, Shantou and Manila.

Ronald Wan, General Manager of SICT, explained the significance of the service to SICT and TMSC saying, “SCP1 is the first direct service TMSC has launched in South China. TMSC’s choice of SICT shows the shipping line’s confidence in our terminal facilities and service level. SICT currently offers four intra-Asia services and one cross-strait direct service and has a proven capability to meet the needs of intra-Asia trade.”

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Sky Express calls at SICT, marking the commencement of TMSC's new SCP1 service



Ronald Wan (left), General Manager of SICT, presents a souvenir to Gang Il-Byeong, Captain of the Sky Express



Notes to Editors:

Hutchison Port Holdings (HPH), a subsidiary of the multinational conglomerate Hutchison Whampoa Limited (HWL), is the world's leading port investor, developer and operator with interests in a total of 300 berths in 49 ports, spanning 25 countries throughout Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Europe, the Americas and Australasia. HPH also owns a number of transportation-related service companies. In 2008, the HPH Group handled a combined throughput of 67.6 million TEU worldwide.