

## Press Release

### **DB Schenker launches climate change initiative • “Lighthouse projects” leading the way in logistics**

#### **Activities in all business segments make trailblazing contributions to global warming management • First carbon-free product in rail freight transportation**

(Munich, May 12, 2009) DB Schenker has launched an environmental initiative to bundle its activities in the field of global warming management. With this initiative, DB Schenker consolidates its role as an environmentally friendly provider of transportation and logistics services. “Carriers that transport a lot of freight also bear great responsibility in terms of the environment. And if we don’t do anything for the environment today, the costs of environmental damage will one day considerably surpass the costs of the current economic crisis”, said DB Schenker CEO Dr. Norbert Bensele. “With our activities in the field of climate change, we will optimize not only our own carbon footprint, but also that of our customers.”

With its four defined lighthouse projects “Green Logistics Networks”, “Green Road”, “Green Product Rail” and “Green Terminals”, DB Schenker is leading the way in the logistics sector, and at the same time, DB Schenker is making a major contribution to the “DB Eco Program”, the global warming management program of the DB Group. On this basis, DB will reduce its specific carbon output worldwide, i.e. its carbon emissions relative to its transportation volume, by another 20 percent between 2006 and 2020.

What is new is the availability of **carbon-free services** in European rail freight transportation. Under the heading “**Green Product Rail**”, customers of DB Schenker can now have their freight transported by rail while avoiding carbon emissions altogether. If requested by customers, the energy required to transport the freight will be replaced by electricity generated from renewable energy sources in Germany. The relevant calculations are carried out by means of the online tool EcoTransIT. DB will additionally feed this amount of electricity into the grid of Deutsche Bahn, so that carbon emissions are completely avoided when the customers’ freight is transported. The additional costs incurred results in only a slightly higher price for customers.

“**Green Logistics Networks**” stands for DB Schenker’s close-meshed international transportation network that covers all the modes of transportation worldwide, including trucks, rail freight carriers, ships and aircraft. DB Schenker combines the strengths of each mode of transportation in order to provide a more cost-effective and more environmentally friendly overall product to its customers. An intelligent modal split, for instance, links the flexibility of road haulage with cost-efficient and energy-efficient rail transportation. For DB Schenker, environmental protection begins before freight is transported. DB

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Schenker's environmental experts carry out detailed carbon footprint calculations and give advice on ways to reduce carbon emissions. By visiting [www.dbschenker.com/ecotransit](http://www.dbschenker.com/ecotransit), customers can carry out precise life-cycle analyses for any European route and any mode of transportation.

**"Green Road"** is a lighthouse project which combines all the activities carried out to achieve sustainable land transportation by road. In this context, it is mainly the mix of many specific environmentally friendly measures that helps to reduce the pollution load from road haulage. These measures include, for instance, training thousands of truck drivers to drive to make their driving more energy-efficient, as well as making greater use of rail freight transportation services in European land transportation, improving the capacity utilization of trucks, optimizing and successively modernizing the truck fleet and using improved fuels.

In the medium or long term, DB Schenker also wants to reduce its carbon output in stationary facilities such as logistics centers or terminals. To this end, DB Schenker has established the lighthouse project **"Green Terminals"**. The purpose of this project is to increase energy efficiency and reduce carbon output not only in existing terminals, workshops and warehouses, but also – and more importantly – to examine and implement sustainable measures in new buildings and when existing buildings are modernized.

More information is available on the Internet at [www.dbschenker.com/umwelt](http://www.dbschenker.com/umwelt).