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**LBC announces the opening of its new logistical zone at the Antwerp terminal.**

**The logistical zone is aimed to reduce waiting time for trucks. It will smoothen the loading and unloading at the terminal and reduce overall handling times.**

**The logistical zone, includes an automated weighing area, a parking for trucks and containers, a planning system for access to the terminal loading facilities as well as all administrative and customs handling .**

**In addition, LBC will introduce before year end an internet based slot reservation system for trucks which will further reduce waiting times and will improve efficiency at the Antwerp terminal**

**Pieter de Graeff, managing director of LBC's terminals in Antwerp and Rotterdam comments: "The new logistical zone is good for all parties involved in the supply chain. Compared to the old < first come first serve system > that most terminals still use today, in the new system customers get faster, more predictable service and shorter lead times. Trucking companies get predictable schedules that they can plan their fleets on and our terminal gets a smooth flow of activity, which increases productivity of the infrastructure for loading. And with the slot booking system the days that 10 or more trucks reported within one hour to load from the same tank are over for good"**

**Niels von Hombracht , CEO of the LBC group: This project is one of the many investments that will be done by LBC in the next three years and which are aimed to improve service and efficiency and to add capacity for existing and newly contracted customers . We are currently looking at an investment program of over 100 Million € which includes major investments in Europe and the USA**

### **On the LBC Group**

**LBC is the second largest tank storage company for chemical products and related added value services in the world. Headquartered in Paris ,France the group operates over 2.3 Millon Cubic meters of storage capacity at 12 locations in Europe and the USA.**

**LBC is a fully owned subsidiary of One Equity Partners a JP Morgan Chase company**

### **On LBC Antwerp**

**The LBC Antwerp terminal offers 200.000 cubic meters of prime chemical tank storage to a large variety of international customers. The terminal is well equipped to handle ships, barges, tank trucks and railcars.**

**In addition the terminal offers blending and drumming services and operates its own warehouse for storage and dispatch of drums and packed hazardous chemicals**

### **Further information**

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