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Europorte, a new partner for the motor industry

The commercial vehicle Charter and Transport Company, Groupe CAT (*Compagnie d’Affrètement et de Transport des véhicules utilitaires*), has chosen Europorte, the rail freight subsidiary of the Eurotunnel Group, to transport its commercial vehicles for the next 3 years. Europorte will operate departures from the CAT site at Batilly to the three distribution hubs in Rognac (Bouches-du-Rhône), Quincieux (Rhône) and Flins (Yvelines).

With this agreement, Europorte will enable a reduction of c2,500 truck movements per year on the roads and will also create a number of new skilled jobs.

Europorte Commercial Director, **Xavier Sobler** stated: *"The rail freight service we are developing at Europorte, characterised by quality of service tailored to our customer's needs, is convincing more and more industrial organisations to return to rail transport; this is very satisfying and an incentive for us to forge ahead."*

Antoine Namand, Director of the Groupe CAT Logistics Division, added: *"As part of our continuing development, Groupe CAT has chosen to work with Europorte to guarantee additional capacity and to strengthen our independence in French markets. This agreement will also contribute to our productivity, help to reduce our carbon footprint and open up new opportunities for the future."*

About CAT:

With revenues of €1.5bn in 2010 and a workforce of almost 3300 staff around the world, Groupe CAT is one of the leading independent European companies in the automotive transport and logistics sector. The principal activities of the group cover vehicle and spare parts logistics, industrial equipment and motorcycle delivery. In 2010, Groupe CAT delivered 2.5 million new vehicles, c23 million packages of car parts and 246,000 motorcycles.

About Europorte:

The first French private operator to obtain a licence, in 2004, allowing it to develop rail services throughout the European Union, Europorte is a 100%-owned subsidiary of the Eurotunnel Group specialising in rail freight and operating on the French and British networks.

Europorte has over 1,000 employees and provides customised solutions to industrial companies, offering a complete package covering all freight sectors: from national and international haulage for logistics operators, to local freight service management on secondary lines and local rail service operations.

More information at <http://www.europorte.com>