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New US Midwest Intermodal Facility

Benefits Customers in TransPacific Trade

[Hong Kong, September 21, 2010] CenterPoint Properties along with Union Pacific Railroad, with support from the U.S Consulates in Hong Kong and Shanghai and hosted by Modern Terminals Limited, have recently held receptions in Hong Kong and Shanghai to announce the opening of Union Pacific's new Mid-west intermodal facility, Joliet Intermodal Terminal (Global 4) and CenterPoint's new state-of-the-art distribution park and logistics center, CenterPoint Intermodal Center Joliet, located southwest of downtown Chicago. The new facilities will significantly benefit customers by reducing transportation costs.

CenterPoint Intermodal Center Joliet (CIC Joliet) along with CenterPoint's intermodal facility two miles south in Elwood (CIC Elwood) combined make up the largest inland port in North America as well as the major distribution hub for Midwest USA for goods imported from Asia as well as goods exported from the Midwest.

The cocktail receptions in celebration of the opening of the new intermodal facility were great successes, attended by many senior executives from global shipping lines, shippers and third-party logistics companies, who found the service offerings provided very appealing. It's expected that many ocean carriers will be setting up operations there to marshal and turn around containers, and have logistics providers rent or buy space to run consolidation and deconsolidation operations for distribution throughout the central United States.

Speaking at the receptions, Neil Doyle, Executive Vice President, Infrastructure and Transportation, CenterPoint Properties commented: "CenterPoint Intermodal Center Joliet, a state-of-the-art integrated logistics center and inland port, is situated on 3,600 acres of land. The park will also feature up to 20 million square feet of industrial facilities as well as container/equipment management yards. CenterPoint's total private investment is expected to exceed US\$2 billion, including US\$200 million of new infrastructure. Additionally, CenterPoint is employing a number of 'green' development initiatives to make this inland port the most environmentally-friendly, modern and integrated logistics center in North America. Combined, CIC-Joliet and CIC-Elwood will be more than 6,000 acres, with multiple 1,000-acre Class I railroad intermodal terminals, hundreds of acres for container/equipment management yards and more than 30 million square feet of industrial facilities."

Peter Levesque, Chief Commercial Officer of Modern Terminals, said: "Modern Terminals represents the starting point for the efficient flow of goods across the Pacific. Much of the North America-bound cargo that comes through Modern Terminals facilities in Hong Kong and China moves to its final destination using the Union Pacific's extensive rail network in the United States and ends up at one of CenterPoint's distribution parks. We wish the Union Pacific Railroad and CenterPoint Properties all the best with their new Joliet facilities."



The cocktail receptions of CenterPoint Properties along with Union Pacific Railroad in Hong Kong and Shanghai for the opening of Union Pacific's Joliet Intermodal Terminal (Global 4) and CenterPoint Intermodal Center Joliet were attended by many senior executives from global shipping lines, shippers and third-party logistics companies. From left:

1. Jared Zerbe, Vice President, Business Development, CenterPoint Properties;
2. Michael Murphy, Executive Vice President, Development, CenterPoint Properties;
3. Neil Doyle, Executive Vice President, Infrastructure and Transportation Development, CenterPoint Properties;
4. Paul Borseth, Assistant Vice President, International – Intermodal, Union Pacific Railroad;
5. Hikaru Nakamura, Director, Asia, Union Pacific Railroad;
6. Peter Levesque, Chief Commercial Officer, Modern Terminals.



Pictured at a cocktail reception for the opening of Union Pacific's Joliet Intermodal Terminal (Global 4) and CenterPoint Intermodal Center Joliet. From left:

1. Jared Zerbe, Vice President, Business Development, CenterPoint Properties;
2. Michael Murphy, Executive Vice President, Development, CenterPoint Properties;
3. Neil Doyle, Executive Vice President, Infrastructure and Transportation Development, CenterPoint Properties;
4. John Kaiser, Vice President/ General Manager – Intermodal, Union Pacific Railroad;
5. Paul Borseth, Assistant Vice President, International – Intermodal, Union Pacific Railroad;
6. Gregory Harris, Commercial Officer, US Commercial Service;
7. Hikaru Nakamura, Director, Asia, Union Pacific Railroad;
8. Juliet Lu, Commercial Specialist, US Commercial Service;
9. Peter Levesque, Chief Commercial Officer, Modern Terminals.

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CenterPoint Properties in brief

CenterPoint Properties was founded to begin its real estate operations in 1984. Today, CenterPoint Properties is the largest owner, manager and developer of industrial real estate in metropolitan Chicago with 23 branded business parks. CenterPoint Properties is focused on the development, ownership and intensive management of industrial real estate and related rail, road and port infrastructure. The company adds value to its customers through forward-thinking solutions aimed at enhancing supply chain and operating efficiencies. CenterPoint Properties seeks long-term relationships with its customers, public and private business partners, internal colleagues and the communities where it invests and operates. For more information, please visit

www.centerpoint-prop.com.

Modern Terminals Limited in brief

Modern Terminals has been continuously aiming for service excellence ever since it opened Hong Kong's first purpose-built container terminal in September 1972. Apart from optimizing its business in Hong Kong Port, it has also been actively expanding into China in recent years. Modern Terminals holds the majority shares in and operates Da Chan Bay Terminal One in the Pearl River Delta (PRD) as well as Taicang International Gateway in the Yangtze River Delta. It also holds equity stakes at Shekou Container Terminals and Chiwan Container Terminal in PRD. As a responsible corporate citizen, Modern Terminals makes environmental considerations an integral part of its culture and decision-making. The company has been awarded the ISO 14001 accreditation for its environmental management system in end-2009. For more information, please visit www.ModernTerminals.com.

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