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**For Release:** IMMEDIATE**Contact:** Timothy Simpson, Maersk Line, Director of Marketing & Communications**Phone:** 973-514-5569**Maersk Line's TP6 Now Delivers Fastest Transit from Yantian to L.A.***13 days is fastest between major South China and US Pacific Southwest markets*

**Madison, New Jersey (May XX, 2012)** – Maersk Line announced today an enhancement to their already ultra-reliable TP6 service, an industry-best 13-day transit time between South China (Yantian) and U.S. Pacific Southwest (Los Angeles) markets. Yantian (Shenzhen), located just north of Hong Kong, is South China's main container port and largest in mainland-China only behind Shanghai.

The improved transit time, coupled with Maersk Line's industry leading reliability (TP6 rated 100% reliable by both Drewry Shipping Consultants and SeaIntel Maritime Analysis) creates an unparalleled product offering that features Sunday arrival in Los Angeles, end of week cut-offs in Hong Kong and Yantian, and complete Southeast Asia coverage.

"The combination of the fastest transit from Yantian and 100% on-time delivery translates to optimal supply chain performance for global shippers. Importers are now positioned to better manage inventory levels and synchronize their supply chain activity with reliable and timely ocean shipping," said Jack Mahoney, Director of Trade Management in North America.

The new TP6 rotation will take effect with the May 1 sailing of the Gudren Maersk from Tanjung Pelepas. The upgraded eastbound rotation is as follows: Tanjung Pelepas, Ho Chi Minh City, Nansha, Hong Kong, Yantian, Los Angeles. The Hong Kong transit remains extremely competitive with a transit time of 15 days and market-leading schedule reliability.

"TP6 is one of the strongest products on the Transpacific Eastbound trade. By flipping the port rotation of Hong Kong and Yantian, we are able to offer shippers extremely reliable and fast transits from both Yantian and Hong Kong. We are pleased to offer our customers a service that delivers certainty to their ocean supply chain which results in increased efficiencies and optimal performance," added Jack Mahoney.

This enhancement to TP6 will slightly alter the total transportation time for Maersk Line's Flagship service from Yantian and Hong Kong. Flagship, the new import service, moves cargo direct from Asia markets to five key distribution hubs in North America – Chicago, Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston, Memphis, and Northwest Ohio. The intermodal leg is powered by BNSF Railway.

- Total transportation time, **Yantian** to: Chicago 18 days, Dallas-Fort Worth 17 days, Houston 17 days, Memphis 18 days, Northwest Ohio 19 days.
- Total transportation time, **Hong Kong** to: Chicago 20 days, Dallas-Fort Worth 19 days, Houston 19 days, Memphis 20 days, Northwest Ohio 21 days.

Further details including pro forma schedules and service maps are available at our website, [www.maerskline.com](http://www.maerskline.com).

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Maersk Line, the leading global container shipping company in the world and a division of the A.P. Moller – Maersk Group, is dedicated to delivering the highest level of customer-focused, reliable global ocean transportation service.

The Maersk Line global service network penetrates the world’s major ports and local markets directly and via dedicated feeder networks. This broad and extensive network is supported by a global staff of 25,000 employees in 325 offices, located in more than 125 countries. Resources to ensure exceptional service performance include: 3.4 million containers—including 10,000+ flat-rack and open tops, and over 600 container vessels that are among the most modern, secure, and environmentally friendly to sail the oceans. Maersk Line is committed to innovating to deliver industry-leading on-time delivery, faster and easier ocean freight processes and support, and environmental sustainability.  
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