

Official Opening Ceremony of Vopak Terminal Zhangjiagang

The Official Opening Ceremony of Vopak Terminal Zhangjiagang (VTZ) was celebrated on 13th September 2007 at the new Vopak Terminal Zhangjiagang site in the Bonded Logistics Park (East Zone) of the Zhangjiagang Free Trade Zone. The ceremony was attended by 380 guests, including Mr. Eric Verwaal, Consul-General of the Royal Dutch Consulate General Shanghai, Mr. Paul Govaart, President Vopak Asia, Mr. Anton van Rossum, Member of Supervisory Board, and Mr. John Paul Broeders, Chairman of the Executive Board.

Vopak Terminal Zhangjiagang project broke ground last year on 7th June 2006. The terminal was operational in May 2007 and the first vessel arrived at 8th June 2007. The project was completed within budget, on schedule and safely, with a total of 2.1 million safe man-hours achieved during the entire construction period.

When fully developed in three phases, the terminal will boast a total storage capacity of up to 700,000 cbm. Currently in our Phase 1A development, the terminal has 29 storage tanks with a total capacity of 124,600 cbm. It also holds four berths, with berthing capacity ranging from 500 dwt to 50,000 dwt.

At the ceremony, Mr. Eric Verwaal, Mr. John Paul Broeders, and Mr. Teo Seow Ling (General Manager of VTZ) on behalf of Mr. Jan Bert Schutrops (Managing Director of Vopak China) delivered speeches. They congratulated the official opening of the new terminal and expressed their best wishes for it. Furthermore, the Mayor of Zhangjiagang also gave a speech during the ceremony. Around 150 guests from local authority attended this event.

Mr. Paul Govaart gave a toast before the lunch banquet, and he asserted the important role of China in our Asia and global terminal network. Vopak Terminal Zhangjiagang is the sixth terminal of the Vopak China network, and it will be another great asset to the network.

