New Container Inspection Area 170912

As previously announced, on October 1st 2017, APM Terminals will take the next step towards self-service at our gates by instituting an improved procedure for handling empty containers at the terminal. The physical inspection of the empty containers at the terminal will be moved from the terminal gates (Gates 3 and 5) to a dedicated Container Inspection Area, located at Nordatlanten 5. All empty containers, excluding SIMA chassis deliveries, arriving at the terminal must pass through the container inspection area at Nordatlanten.

New company for container inspection

Following a comprehensive tender process, we have selected Conspect to carry out the container inspection service on behalf of APM Terminals Gothenburg AB. Conspect AB is a joint venture between MCR AB and Elfcon Container Service AB. Both companies have an excellent reputation in the field, and hold the international certificates required for carrying out container inspections.

Improved service at the gates

This change will free all three entry lanes to the terminal at Gate 3, regardless of chassis type, which will increase the inflow and reduce queuing outside the gate. Since the container inspection is carried out prior to arrival at the gate, this allows the container operator to control the container flow more efficiently.

Minor repairs and cleaning

Should minor repairs or cleaning be required, delivery will take place directly at the new area instead of entering the terminal. This saves time and lift costs. Since Conspect offers its customers immediate minor repairs and cleaning, the need to move the container inside the terminal will be eliminated, which saves both costs and handling time.

A seal of quality

The container inspection process will include sealing inspected sound containers. This provides reassurance that the inspection has been carried out to industry standards and ensures quality.

Time efficiency

The time taken for container inspection at the new location will not be greater than the current procedure outside Gate 3.

Gate-in receipt fee

The container inspection services are provided by APM Terminals and are included in the gate-in receipt fee covered by the operator/shipping line. The minor repairs and cleaning service will be administered, carried out and invoiced by Conspect. Conspect will shortly unveil the services they will be providing and explain the actual handling procedures at the Container Inspection Area.

Smooth transition

Working closely with our partners, APM Terminals has made thorough preparations well in advance to ensure a smooth transition. Extra staff will be present on the launch day to facilitate the best possible flow. We ask for your understanding and cooperation during the implementation period