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## **Eurotunnel celebrates 20 millionth truck in 20 years**

Eurotunnel, the world leading rolling motorway, celebrated on 25 March 2014 the passage of its 20 millionth truck since services began on 25 July 1994, on board a Freight Shuttle travelling from Coquelles (France) to Folkestone.

In 2013, the 15 Eurotunnel Freight Shuttles which operate 24/7, 365 days a year, carried almost 1.5 million trucks. This significant traffic volume is testament to the competitive advantages of the Freight Shuttles which provide a high frequency of departures, a reliable system and the fastest way to cross the Channel (35 minutes). The Freight Shuttle service is used by more than 3,000 major customers from every corner of Europe (Netherlands, Poland, Bulgaria, Slovakia, etc...) who appreciate the 63,000 departures each year.

The 20 millionth truck itself belongs to, Emons Cargo BV – part of the Dutch Emons Group, operator of the 160 ultra modern 2WIN double deck trucks and which shares its common values of innovation and respect for the environment with Groupe Eurotunnel. Emons, like Groupe Eurotunnel works continuously to reduce its carbon emissions. The choice of Eurotunnel, the most environmentally friendly cross-Channel operator, and its own innovative fleet, enables Emons to reduce its CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by more than 40%.

**Eric Driessen, Commercial Director of Emons Cargo BV, stated:** *"We have used the Channel Tunnel since its opening 20 years ago. We are frequent users and we are delighted and proud to have the 20 millionth truck to cross the Channel on board a Eurotunnel Shuttle. Eurotunnel enables us to meet the high service and sustainability standards demanded by our customers"*

**Jo Willacy, Eurotunnel Commercial Director, stated:** *"We are especially pleased that the 20 millionth truck to cross the Channel through the Tunnel is part of one of our earliest customer's fleets. It is recognition of the professionalism of our employees and the quality of the service we provide"*