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The NEAS Group joins the Green Marine environmental certification program

Valleyfield, QC, Monday, June 15, 2020 – The NEAS Group, which operates principally in the Canadian Arctic's eastern and western regions, as well as polar and Remote High North regions, primarily to provide essential resupply services to Northern communities, is the latest ship owner to join the voluntary environmental program for North America's maritime industry.

The NEAS Group is committed to conducting its operations in a sustainable manner and adopted an internal health, safety and environmental policy in 2017. For a carrier already exceeding operational standards when it comes to the environment, joining Green Marine was the next logical step. "At NEAS, we are driven by our values of social responsibility, focused on people, communities and service," said Suzanne Paquin, the NEAS Group's president and chief executive officer. "The detailed Green Marine framework will support us in our approach to reducing our environmental footprint in the Great North."

Based in Valleyfield, near Montreal, NEAS has as its mission to provide maritime container and packaged resupply services in remote eastern and western Arctic regions.

Green Marine is delighted to welcome this ship owner to the environmental certification program. "The NEAS Group's structure and mission, which promote sustainable economic and social development in Northern communities, corresponds with our primary objective to continually improve maritime transport's environmental performance," said David Bolduc, Green Marine's executive director.

The Green Marine environmental program addresses a number of environmental priority issues through its 13 performance indicators, such as greenhouse gases, air emissions, leak and spill prevention, waste management, environmental leadership and community impacts. Some indicators apply to landside operations and other to shipping activities. The certification process is rigorous and transparent, with the results independently verified every two years and the individual performance of each enterprise published annually.

About NEAS

The NEAS Group offers a superior experience to its customers, with reliable shipping, sorting, packaging and container services throughout Nunavut, including the Qikiqtaaluk, Kivalliq and Western Kitikmeot regions, as well as Nunavik, northern Quebec and northern Manitoba, including the Port of Churchill. NEAS shareholders include the Makivik Corporation and Transport Nanuk Inc., a joint venture established by the Logistec Corporation and The North West Company, both of which are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Green Marine overview

Founded in 2007, Green Marine's North American environmental certification program is the result of a voluntary effort by the shipping industry to go beyond regulations. To date, more than 145 ship owners, port authorities, terminal operators, and shipyard managers throughout Canada and the United States are participants. The Green Marine program's unique character derives from the support it receives from environmental, scientific and government organizations. More than 75 supporters help to shape and revise the program. <u>www.greenmarine.org</u>

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