

Hamilton Shipping Container Services Limited

Although perhaps not immediately obvious, Hamilton Shipping Container Services Ltd (HSCSL) has, since 2012, been a fully owned subsidiary business of Denholm Logistics Group Ltd, one of the companies of the Logistics Division, whose parent company, J. & J. Denholm, is a family owned conglomerate, formed in 1866.

Since 2012, HSCSL has traded as a standalone freight forwarding business, operating from bases in Belfast, Dublin, and Birmingham. However, the longer-term business plan for HSCSL has always been to merge it into the Logistics Division's existing freight forwarding business, Denholm Global Logistics (DGL). The rationale for merging the operations is to bring larger scale, increased opportunity, and extra purchasing power to HSCSL, by way of being part of a much bigger business. DGL already has eight offices strategically located throughout the UK servicing the main UK ports and airports, and carries large volumes of cargo worldwide, particularly import and export trades of the Far East, African and Indian continents.

The merger of the Belfast and Birmingham operations into DGL will take place on 1st January 2021 and the Dublin operations on 1st April 2021. The business will continue to trade as Hamilton Shipping Container Services. Day-to-day, personnel, contacts, processes, etc, will not change, although some back office procedures and details will - for example finance functions - of which we will contact and inform you in a separate communication.

The merger of HSCSL into DGL is a significant step and exciting change for the business, and will provide extra benefits, opportunities and security for present HSCSL clients and suppliers. Furthermore, due to careful planning, we do not anticipate any disruption to or fall in service levels throughout the short transition.

We hope this communication explains our position fully and clearly, but if you do have any further questions or concerns please contact, Kieran Hall: Kieran.hall@denholm-logistics.co.uk, or Michael McMahon: Michael.McMahon@dgluk.com.

We wish to thank customers and suppliers for your continued support of HSCSL. We very much look forward to working together with you in the new business structure going forward.

Yours sincerely,



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