



Stena Line to add extra North Sea freight capacity on Rotterdam to Killingholme route

London, 23 September 2016 - **In response to demand on the routes from Rotterdam (Europoort and Hoek van Holland) to Killingholme, Stena Line is to add additional capacity by introducing a second ship from Europoort to Killingholme**

The RoRo ship *Caroline Russ*, has been brought in to operate three times weekly from Europoort in the Netherlands and Killingholme in the UK, with the first departure from Europoort on October 31, 2016.

The ship will join current RoRo ship, the *Stena Scotia*, on the route. The frequency will hereby increase to six departures per week in each direction. The *Stena Scotia* was introduced on the route September 2014 as a complement to the two freight ships, the *Stena Transit* and *Stena Transporter* on the Hoek van Holland – Killingholme route.

Annika Hult, Route Manager at Stena Line North Sea says: “We have seen a strong growth in the transport market to the UK over the past several years. We introduced our freight ship the *Stena Scotia* in 2014 in order to accommodate growing volumes of traffic. I am very pleased to announce that we will now take the next step in the strategic development of our Rotterdam (Europoort) – Killingholme route.”

“We expect trade to remain strong and want to be in the best place to service our customers and meet additional demands. Europoort continues to develop as an important freight hub for Stena Line and we are confident our customers will react positively to our expanded service”, she continues.

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Facts *Caroline Russ*

Type of ship: RoRo
Year of construction: 1999
Length: 153 m
Width: 20.6 m
Max speed: 20 kn
Passengers: 12
Trailers: 102



Sailing Schedule Caroline Russ and Stena Scotia:

By introducing a second ship the frequency is increased to daily departures (6 days a week).

Killingholme – Europoort (local times)

Departure:	Monday / Friday 22:00 hrs	Arrival:	Following day 12:00 hrs
	Sunday 16:30 hrs		Following day 06:45 hrs

Europoort – Killingholme (local times)

Departure:	Monday / Friday 16:45 hrs	Arrival:	Following day 05:00 hrs
	Sunday 14:45 hrs		Following day 03:00 hrs

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Notes to editors:

Stena Line is one of Europe's largest ferry operators with 35 ferries and 22 routes in northern Europe. Stena Line is an important part of the European logistics network and it is developing new intermodal freight solutions by combining transport by rail, road and sea. With its extensive passenger operations, Stena Line also plays an important role for tourism in Europe. The company is family-owned, was founded in 1962 and its head office in Gothenburg. Stena Line is part of the Stena Sphere, which has around 19 000 employees and a turnover of more than SEK 55 000 million.

Stena Line North Sea's social media updates are available at [@StenaLineUK](https://twitter.com/StenaLineUK) and www.facebook.com/StenaLineUKtoHolland

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