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QUBE ANNOUNCES MOOREBANK LOGISTICS PARK AUTOMATION

Qube Holdings (QUB) today announced it has entered into a contract with Kalmar and Navis, part of the Finnish freight equipment supplier Cargotec, to provide state-of-the-art machinery and software for the first stage of automation of the Moorebank Logistics Park (MLP).

Kalmar will begin delivery of its latest proven technology cranes and autoshuttles in the second half of 2019 with fully automated operations expected to be established across the Moorebank facility by 2022.

The procurement agreement is worth approximately A\$125 million with progressive payments over the delivery period. Kalmar will supply automated stacking cranes, rail mounted gantry cranes, a fleet of low-emission hybrid autoshuttles and the sophisticated computer software to handle all containerised freight on the site.

The staged delivery and commissioning of Kalmar's OneTerminal solution technology at Qube's Moorebank facility will see it become the first fully automated intermodal terminal for containerised freight in the world.

At full capacity, the Moorebank intermodal facility will handle more than one million TEU of freight to and from Port Botany by rail instead of road, taking thousands of truck trips off Sydney's road network every day.

Qube's Managing Director Maurice James said the agreement with Kalmar was an exciting milestone in Qube's long held ambition to transform the handling of containerised freight in Australia.

"We have said many times that Moorebank is a game changer for the import-export supply chain and signing this contract with Kalmar is a critically important step towards achieving that goal.

"The efficiencies and reliability we can offer to our customers along with the productivity and safety benefits that come with this technology are enormous.



“It is pleasing to be partnering with the world leaders in the cargo handling automation to deliver what is also a world first for the containerised freight industry,” Mr James said.

The procurement of the latest low-emission automated technology aligns with Qube’s existing commitments to significantly reduce carbon emissions under a loan facility with the Clean Energy Finance Corporation.

Through the incorporation of low emission automated equipment, renewable energy sources on site, and removing thousands of truck trips daily from the road network, the Moorebank Logistics Park is expected to reduce emissions by 110,000 tCO₂e per annum.

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