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Synergy Group Fleet Boosted By New 20,000+ TEU Containership

Synergy Group has taken delivery of Ever Gifted, an Ultra Large Container Vessel (ULCV) newbuilding constructed by renowned Japanese shipbuilder Imabari Shipbuilding. Currently under Synergy's technical management on Evergreen Line's popular Far East-North Europe and Mediterranean service, the 20,000+ TEU capacity ULCV is one of the largest container ships in service worldwide. "As a leader within the ship management sector, we are thrilled to join the 20,000+ TEU club," said Captain Rajesh Unni, CEO and Founder of Singapore-headquartered Synergy Group. "The Ever Gifted is one of the highest capacity container ships currently in service. It is also one of the most efficient, enviro-friendly and impressive vessels deployed across Evergreen's service network.



"Synergy is uniquely equipped to take on the most demanding technical and commercial shipmanagement challenges," said Captain Unni. It offers fuel-efficient headhaul options and slow steaming variations on backhauls. We are absolutely delighted to have been entrusted with its safe operation." The Singapore-flagged, 199,489dwt Ever Gifted has an overall length (L.O.A) of 399.98 metres, beam of 58.8 metres, total capacity of 20,388 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEU) and 1,300 reefer points. Fitted with a fuel optimised MAN B&W 11-cylinder G95ME engine, Ever Gifted offers a service speed of 23.2 knots and weighs in at 217,762 MT. On January 15, Synergy will take delivery of Ever Grade, a sistership of Ever Gifted also constructed by Imabari Shipbuilding. "We eagerly look forward to the addition of the next set of ULCVs joining our fleet in the very near future as their Owners take advantage of our expertise in the management of the world's largest container ships,"

said Captain Unni. "With a fleet of more than 200 vessels covering all sectors of the commercial maritime fleet, adding these ULCVs to our fleet further emphasises how Synergy Group has cemented its status as one of the world's leading shipmanagers." Synergy continues to break new ground in technical and commercial shipmanagement innovation, consistently demonstrating its ability to manage the most technologically-advanced vessels joining the global fleet. In November last year, Synergy also joined with leading shipowners Reederei NORD and NISSEN Kaiun to set up N2Tankers, a new Aframax tanker pool. "I think we have shown time and again that Synergy is uniquely equipped to take on the most demanding technical and commercial shipmanagement challenges," said Captain Unni. "Two years ago, we prepared and trained specialised crew to operate the world's first Very Large Ethane Carriers (VLEC). It is

challenges like these that we excel in. It's not only about managing traditional ships. As a technical partner for shipowners, we need to be prepared to take on the challenges posed by new technology. "Larger ships result in more complexity. New technology brings many unknowns. Modern shipmanagement is about preparing the next generation of crew to face these challenges and put in place processes that work seamlessly for these new kinds of vessel operations. Our teams have proven over and over that they can find the right solutions. "These achievements would not be possible if our onshore and seagoing staff were not equipped and supported to ensure they perform to the peak of their capabilities. "It's all about people and building a unique culture. It takes time, but every step in that journey is worthwhile."