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Increase in the shipping container utilization rate in July 2010 with a strong rise in leasing rates

Shipping container rental is breaking its historical records with a utilization rate of 97.1% as of July 30, 2010, and is also showing a 20% growth in leasing rates since January 2010.

After the drop in international trade in 2009 (-10%), and lower worldwide production of new shipping containers (fewer than 300,000 containers were built in 2009 while more than 3 million were produced in 2008), international freight volume has greatly increased, triggering increased demand for shipping containers since January 2010.

A reminder that international trade is forecasted to increase by 9.5% in 2010 (source WTO), which would bring about an 8.8% increase in container transport (source: Clarkson).

The TOUAX Group operates a fleet of 500,000 container TEUs through its wholly-owned subsidiary, GOLD Container, for both operational and financial leasing as well as for sale. It offers global shipping companies worldwide service through a network that operates out of over 120 ports on all five continents.

The TOUAX Group provides its operational leasing services to a global customer base, both for its own account and on behalf of investors. TOUAX is the European leader in shipping containers and river barges, and #2 in modular buildings and freight railcars (intermodal railcars). TOUAX is well positioned to take advantage of the rapid growth in corporate outsourcing of non-strategic assets and every day offers efficient and flexible leasing solutions to more than 5,000 customers.

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