

Port Everglades and King Ocean Experience Increased Reefer Volumes

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BROWARD COUNTY, FL - Perishable volumes continue to climb at Broward County's [Port Everglades](#) as long-time tenant [King Ocean Services](#) welcomed its second asparagus shipment this season from Peru and F&F unveiled plans to double its fumigation capabilities.

After unloading, the 12 containers of the highly perishable spears were transported to the IWS fumigation site, operated by F&F Fumigation and located on the Port within Foreign Trade Zone No. 25, for the required treatment before heading to market. F&F Fumigation, a subsidiary of IWS, is expanding its capacity and will soon be able to simultaneously process up to 25 reefers at a time.



F&F Fumigation staff prepare King Ocean's 12 containers for fumigation.

In the first six months of FY2017, Port Everglades has experienced a nearly 10 percent increase in refrigerated cargo over the same period in FY2016. King Ocean is the Port's second fastest growing reefer cargo line by volume in the first half of FY2017.

"With the success of partners like King Ocean and the expansion of facilities by IWS, Port Everglades will maintain its status as Florida's leading port for container volume and perishables," said Jim Pyburn, Director of the Port Everglades Business Development Division. "We look forward to working with our partners and sharing the growth in this business."

King Ocean has experienced success in the market since acquiring the west coast of South America service, which includes Peru and Ecuador, from Trinity Shipping and Interocean in May 2016.

"This trade route is very important to King Ocean," said Albert De Rojas, King Ocean's Pacific Commercial Manager/Owner's Representative West Coast of South America, "and we've made a major investment by purchasing 50 controlled atmosphere Star Cool reefers to further develop and expand the market."

According to De Rojas, King Ocean is committed to providing total quality control service with its fixed sailing and arrival dates on the weekends, which greatly benefit importers.

About Port Everglades

At the crossroads of north-south and east-west trade, Broward County's Port Everglades is Florida's leading container port, handling more than one million TEUs (20-foot equivalent units, the industry standard measurement for container volumes) and serving as a gateway to Latin America, the

Caribbean, Europe and Asia. Located within the cities of Fort Lauderdale, Hollywood, and Dania Beach, Florida, Port Everglades is in the heart of one of the world's largest consumer regions, including a constant flow of nearly 113 million visitors statewide and 6 million residents within an 80-mile radius. Port Everglades has direct access to the interstate highway system and the Florida East Coast Railway's 43-acre intermodal container transfer facility, and is closer to the Atlantic Shipping Lanes than any other Southeastern U.S. port. Ongoing capital improvements and expansion ensure that Port Everglades continues to handle future growth in container traffic. A world-class cargo handling facility, Port Everglades serves as an ideal point of entry and departure for products shipped around the world.

More information about Broward County's Port Everglades is available at porteverglades.net or by calling toll-free in the United States 1-800-421-0188 or emailing PortEvergladesCargo@broward.org.