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## Port Canaveral lands first container service

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Seatrade Group's StreamLines, N.V. plans to add a call at Port Canaveral to its weekly Blue Stream container ship service between the Caribbean and Central America and Europe, giving the Florida port its first regular container service.

The vessels will call Canaveral on their way from Central America to Europe, and provide a three-day transit from Santo Tomas, Guatemala, and an 11-day transit time to Rotterdam, said Pablo Gonzales, general manager of Curacao-based Streamlines.

The weekly service will follow a 35-day rotation of Rotterdam; Tilbury, England; Le Havre, France; Martinique, Guadeloupe and St. Maarten in the Caribbean; Moin, Costa Rica; Puerto Cortes, Honduras, and Santo Tomas, Guatemala, in Central America; Port Canaveral, and back to Europe.

The Blue Stream service will use five ships with capacities of 1,300 twenty-foot-equivalent units and 250 plugs for refrigerated cargo. Reefer shipments of fresh produce and perishables are expected to be a big part of the service's cargo mix, but Gonzales said StreamLines also sees strong potential for dry containers to Europe.

He said the company was familiar with Port Canaveral, having used it for Chilean fruit imports and U.S. juice exports.

Port Canaveral announced last week that Capt. John W. Murray, president and CEO of Hapag-Lloyd USA, had been selected to succeed John E. Walsh, who last year agreed to resign as the port's chief executive officer.

Under Walsh, the port contracted with GT USA, a subsidiary of Gulftainer, for development of a container terminal.

## Business

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Cruise said the new service will mark the first business use at Port Canaveral of two gantry cranes the port acquired to unload and load cargo ships.

Cruise said GT USA has been working on the deal for six months, and that it is seeking out other deals as well.

"We feel that we've got several other carriers that are interested," Cruise said. "We feel confident that this will be just the tip of the iceberg, as far as liner container services for Port Canaveral."

Pablo Gonzalez, general manager of StreamLines, which is based on the Dutch Caribbean island of Curacao, called Port Canaveral "an important transit point" for cargo going between Central America and Europe. He said he sees the new services as "a steppingstone into the future" for his company's expansion.

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# American Shipper



## Port Canaveral lands first container customer

*Dutch-affiliate Streamlines will operate a weekly container service connecting the new GT USA terminal at the Central Florida port with Europe and Central America.*

By Eric Kulisch | Thursday, January 14, 2016

Gulftainer USA has secured the first customer for Port Canaveral's new container terminal after a six-month wait.

Streamlines, N.V., part of the Dutch Seatrade Group, will call the Central Florida port as part of the new Blue Stream weekly container service that connects Northern Europe, the French West Indies and Central America, GT USA announced Wednesday.

Port Canaveral inaugurated its first dedicated container terminal last June. GT USA, the U.S. division of United Arab Emirates based Gulftainer, won a concession to operate the 20-acre facility for up to 35 years and has committed to invest \$100 million in infrastructure, equipment and personnel. The Canaveral port authority bought two used post-Panamax cranes from the Georgia Ports Authority for \$25,000 apiece to get started, but until now had not signed up any ocean carriers to use the facility.

Port and terminal officials claim Canaveral offers several advantages for Florida shippers. It is located midway between Jacksonville and Miami on the East Coast near the huge Orlando consumer market, which swells every year with tens of millions of tourists visiting area theme parks.

In addition, Canaveral is the world's second largest cruise port, serving vessels that need to be provisioned for a week at sea. The port's proximity to consumers as well as scores of distribution centers in Central Florida means importers and exporters can save time and money compared to trucking cargo further to and from ports such as Charleston, Savannah or Norfolk.

Port Canaveral is also less than an hour from the pilot buoy to berth compared to several hours at river ports further up the coast. The quicker turn times saves ocean carriers money because they generate revenue by keeping vessels moving and getting to the next load center.

Streamlines will employ five 1,300-TEU container vessels with 250 electric plugs for refrigerated containers on the weekly service. The Blue Stream service will have a transit time of three days from Central America and eleven days to the Port of Rotterdam from Florida.

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The Blue Stream service will have the following rotation: Canaveral, Rotterdam, Tilbury (U.K.), Radcatel (France), Fort de France (Martinique), Pointe a Pitre (Guadeloupe), Phillipsburg (St. Maarten), Moín (Costa Rica), Puerto Cortés (Honduras), and Santo Tomas (Guatemala), and Canaveral.

The mainstay of the service will be imports of fresh fruit and vegetables, such as melons and bananas, with some dry cargo also being targeted, Joe Cruise, GT USA's commercial manager, said in an interview.

Streamlines, based in Curaçao, also hopes to load out with fruits, vegetables, meat and fish from Florida-based agriculture producers seeking more direct transport to Europe, Howard Posner, general manager for North American General Agents, said.

North American General Agents is the agent for Streamlines and Seatrade-related businesses in the United States. Last year, it handled about 450 port calls in the United States for Seatrade, the largest operator of fully refrigerated vessels in the world. Some of those vessels operate under charter to companies such as Del Monte and Turbana. Posner declined to specify how much cargo is committed so far, but said 150 loads in and out is a reasonable expectation in the near future.

GT USA is trying to help Streamlines drum up more business and continues to be in talks with other carriers to attract them to Canaveral, Cruise said.

Streamlines began as a business unit to market and manage backhaul trades from Europe to the Caribbean, and has since evolved into other trade lanes after Seatrade officials saw an opportunity to develop a separate container business. It has operated weekly liner services from Ecuador and Costa Rica to Europe, with bananas as the base cargo, for many years. The reefer vessels also have deck capacity for containers.

But Seatrade, which has more than 100 vessels, has an active program to build out its fleet by investing in six purpose-built reefer container ships designed with water cooling systems so the refrigerated boxes can be loaded below deck, Posner said.

Seatrade has called at Port Canaveral for more than 20 years with its conventional, specialized reefer vessels.

Port Director John Walsh won't be around to see the new container service as his last day in that role is Jan. 21. Walsh resigned under pressure last fall after publicly insulting some local constituents who objected to the port authority's proposal to extend a freight rail line to Canaveral. The Canaveral Board of Commissioners on Friday selected John Murray, chief executive officer of Hapag-Lloyd USA, to succeed Walsh.

Port Canaveral also recently leased property to a company that will process automobile shipments at the port for the first time.

# FLORIDATODAY

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Port progresses with cargo

Thumbs up to Port Canaveral and cargo-terminal operator GT USA for developments that advance their goals of succeeding in logistics. GT USA signed its first cargo customer to a deal — weekly container service StreamLines N.V., linking Brevard County's seaport to Europe, Central America and the French West Indies. Meanwhile, port commissioners hired a cargo executive from three finalists as their new CEO. Taking the helm will be John Murray, currently president and chief executive officer of Hapag-Lloyd USA, a subsidiary of the world's fourth-largest container-ship operator. Full speed ahead.



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By Space Coast Daily // January 14, 2016



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# The Coasta Rica Star

## New Maritime Cargo Service Connects Costa Rica with Florida

By Jaime Lopez – January 14, 2016

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## New GT USA Terminal Attracts Container Service

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The Canaveral Port Authority welcomes the start of StreamLine's Blue Stream weekly liner service at its new Canaveral Cargo Terminal, which GT USA manages and operates. The service adds Port Canaveral to this valued trade route that includes Central America, Europe and the Caribbean. The first call at Canaveral is scheduled for January 31, 2016 with the arrival of the M/V NORDEROOG.

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According to Alberto Cabrera, Port Canaveral's Senior Director of Cargo Business Development, "This service will strengthen Florida's perishable import market from Central America and provide a Central Florida gateway to shippers seeking to lower inland transportation costs and to get their product to market faster. At the same time, it creates an efficient outlet for Florida shippers to export products directly to northern Europe."

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By Space Coast Daily // January 16, 2016



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# GULF NEWS



## Gulftainer announces new container service

*Company announces a weekly cargo service between North America, Central America and Europe*

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Staff Report

Dubai: Gulftainer USA, the extension of UAE-based global ports and logistics company Gulftainer, has announced a weekly cargo service between North America, Central America and Europe. Blue Stream Service will be mainly carrying perishable goods between the regions, and will travel from Florida to French West Indies in three days with transit time to Europe is eleven days. The service will commence from January 31 initiating a 35 year agreement between Canaveral Port Authority and Gulftainer. Direct access to new markets will be granted to Florida as Blue Stream Service is the first of its kind in the state.



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*StreamLine's Blue Stream service will offer one of the fastest services from Florida to Europe and from Central America to Florida*

BY MAURA MAXWELL, Monday 18th January 2016, 02:36 Central Time



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by The Canaveral Port Authority

Posted: Monday, January 18, 2016 at 9:09AM EST

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## US-UAE Set Up Port Partnership

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In a bid to strengthen the trade relationship between the US and United Arab Emirates (UAE), the Canaveral Port Authority has signed a Joint Declaration of Collaboration and Cooperation with the Sharjah Port Authority.

The partnership aims to create new cargo opportunities, exchange knowledge, develop economic resources, and ease logistics cooperation.

Peter Richards, Managing Director of Gulftainer USA and Managing Director of Gulftainer, said: "We will continue to strive to strengthen the bond that exists with a view to contributing even further to the economy of both port areas."

In other news, Middle Eastern terminal operator Gulftainer has announced a new 'Blue Stream Service' (BSS), which is a weekly container cargo service operated by StreamLines, that aims to connect Port Canaveral with Europe, France, the West Indies and Central America, and is anticipated to commence on January 31, 2016.

The BSS objective will be focused on a refrigerated and dry container service with an emphasis on fresh produce and perishable cargo.

MD of Gulftainer and CEO of Gulftainer USA Peter Richards said: "We are excited about the opportunity to provide our signature world-class service to StreamLines and to be its US port of call.

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## Port Canaveral adds container ship service

By Doug Ohlemeier January 19, 2016 | 4:07 pm EST

A new container ship service that has started at Port Canaveral is expected to expand the port's access to South and Central America and Europe.

On Jan. 31, M/V Norderoog, a part of StreamLines N.V.'s Blue Stream weekly liner service, was scheduled to make its first call on the Cape Canaveral, Fla., port at its new Canaveral Cargo Terminal, managed and operated by GT USA.

GT USA invested \$100 million into facilities, infrastructure, equipment and workforce and the service provides Port Canaveral a valued trade route that includes Central America, Europe and the Caribbean.

It should strengthen Florida's perishable import market from Central America and provide a central Florida gateway to shippers seeking lower inland transportation costs and help them move their products to market faster, according to a news release from the Canaveral Port Authority.

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"We are excited about the opportunity to provide our signature world-class service to StreamLines and to be its U.S. port of call. The new Blue Stream Service can showcase Port Canaveral as an ideal gateway, opening markets in Central America to Central Florida, and providing our local exporters the most efficient route to Europe," said Peter Richards, CEO of GT USA and Managing Director of Gulftainer. "This will undoubtedly lead to even more growth in coming months for Canaveral Cargo Terminal, building Port Canaveral's reputation as a key cargo destination along the Southeastern Seaboard."

Blue Stream's maiden call at GT USA's Canaveral Cargo Terminal is expected on January 31 with the arrival of the M/V NORDEROOG. The service will commence in Rotterdam, Netherlands, with calls in Tilbury, United Kingdom, and Radicatel, France; on its way to the French West Indies ports of Fort de France, Martinique, Pointe a Pitre, Guadeloupe, Phillipsburg, St. Maarten, then on to Moín, Costa Rica; Puerto Cortés, Honduras; and Santo Tomas, Guatemala; before transit to Port Canaveral.

Canaveral Port Authority has embarked on a strategic plan to be a premier cargo port for the Eastern Seaboard, increasing capacity, building new facilities, and improving the channel to establish the deepest, most accessible East Coast port serving Central Florida.

GT USA's Canaveral Cargo Terminal, the only dedicated container terminal at Port Canaveral, opened for business in June 2015, a year after the signing of a historic 35-year agreement between Canaveral Port Authority and Gulftainer, a privately owned, independent port management and logistics company.

Canaveral Cargo Terminal, developed on 20 acres with two berths and two gantry cranes to serve large vessels, begins operations with a twenty-foot equivalent unit (TEU) cargo capacity of 200,000 TEUs. The terminal is able to turn around cargo imported into Port Canaveral to the

Orlando area within two hours, the fastest transit time when compared to other container terminals in the state.

Pablo Gonzalez, General Manager, StreamLines N.V., said, “At StreamLines, we are extremely proud of this new venture, which is very much in line with the strategic view of the company and of the whole of Seatrade Group. The company is going through an intensive investment program, which includes the building of several container ships, and for this reason, the new Blue Stream Service becomes a stepping stone into the future of the company. It is in that spirit that we have decided to include a call to Port Canaveral, which we see as an important point for refrigerated cargo between Central America, Florida and Europe. Through our U.S. Agent, North American General Agents, we are committed to first class customer service, by providing ‘Fast, Dedicated, Direct’ service.”

## Fast new GT USA container service connects Florida and Central America

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The new Blue Stream service, operated by StreamLines, part of the Seatrade Group, will provide refrigerated and dry container service to and from GT USA's cargo terminal at Port Canaveral, focusing on fresh produce and perishable cargoes. The Blue Stream service rotation employs five ships with 1300 TEU capacity and 250 reefer plugs, on a weekly rotation.

The new line will serve Central America to Port Canaveral in just three days and will offer the one of the fastest transit times between Florida and Europe, just 11 days. The service includes direct calls to the United Kingdom.

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Blue Stream's maiden call at GT USA's Canaveral Cargo Terminal is expected on January 31 with the arrival of the M/V NORDEROOG. From Canaveral, the vessel will proceed directly to Rotterdam, Netherlands, with calls in Tilbury, United Kingdom, and Radicatel, France. After departing Europe, the schedule loop takes the vessels to the French West Indies ports of Fort de France, Martinique, Pointe a Pitre, Guadeloupe and Phillipsburg, St. Maarten. From St. Maarten, the vessels then proceed on to Moín, Costa Rica; Puerto Cortés, Honduras; and Santo Tomas, Guatemala and from there directly on to Port Canaveral.

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## GT USA Announces New Container Service Connecting Port Canaveral to Central America and Europe

*Florida to Benefit From Direct Access, Transit Time to New Markets*

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GT USA has announced the launch of the new Blue Stream weekly container cargo service connecting Port Canaveral to Europe, the French West Indies, and Central America.

The Blue Stream service is operated by StreamLines, N.V., part of the Seatrade Group, providing refrigerated and dry container service to and from the Canaveral Cargo Terminal, with a focus on fresh produce and perishable cargoes. The Blue Stream service rotation employs five ships with 1300 TEU capacity and 250 reefer plugs, on a weekly rotation.

The new line will serve Central America to Port Canaveral in three days and will offer the one of the fastest transit times between Florida and Europe, at 11 days. The service includes direct calls to the United Kingdom. Port Canaveral is the exclusive U.S. port of call on the service.

“We are excited about the opportunity to provide our signature service to StreamLines and to be its U.S. port of call,” said Peter Richards, CEO of GT USA, and managing director and CEO of the Gulftainer Group, a privately owned, independent terminal operating and logistics company. “The new Blue Stream service can showcase Port Canaveral as an ideal gateway, opening markets in Central America to Central Florida, and providing our local exporters the most efficient route to Europe. This will lead to more growth in coming months for Canaveral Cargo Terminal, building Port Canaveral’s reputation as a key U.S. cargo port.”

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“We are extremely proud of this new venture, which is very much in line with the strategic view of the company,” said Pablo Gonzalez, general manager of StreamLines N.V. “The company is going through an intensive investment program, which includes building a series of custom designed, reefer-centric container ships, and for this reason, the new Blue Stream service becomes a stepping stone into the future of the company. It is in that spirit that we have decided to include a call to Port Canaveral, which we see as an important transit point for refrigerated, dry and project cargoes between Central America, Florida and Europe.

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