

SECTOR

Solid and liquid bulk

Atlantic Port La Rochelle, a modern port for optimal competitiveness.

Through its specialised materials handling experience, the port area of La Rochelle responds to market constraints of the bulk sectors by offering high levels of mechanisation and operating speeds.

The development of agricultural bulk (cattle feed and fertilizers), in flow synergy with the grain producing hinterland, is the cause of La Rochelle Port positioning in this sector.

By pursuing the development of its specialised terminal Anse Saint-Marc, the Port and its operators are promoting a product diversification targeting highly specialised niche traffic of all types of bulk (wood pellets, sodium carbonate, methanol, acids, mineral oils and kerosene).





FOR SOLID BULK, READY TO USE MODERN INSTALLATIONS

A terminal specialised in the reception of heavy dry bulk materials, the Anse Saint-Marc site received recently investments of 60 million euros, which is continuing in 2015 with the delivery of an additional 200 metres of quay and the opening of an additional 10 hectares land space quayside.

Port operators and companies have invested in new industrial tools dedicated to bagging operations, investments that meet the growing demands of regional and national economic players.

Anse Saint-Marc terminal:

- **360 metres** of quay: 160 m current + 200 m of extension with delivery expected in 2015;
- **20 hectares of land space:** Current 10 hectares + 10 hectares under development;
- 14.50 metres maximum permissible draft.

Two other terminals, the Môle d'Escale, which docks vessels with deep draft, and the Lock Basin, for small and medium-sized vessels, complete the offer in the bulk sector at the Anse Saint-Marc terminal.

LIQUID BULKS: ACTIONS FOR PROMOTING HIGH PRODUCTIVITY

Long regarded as the reference liquid bulk, the ready-to-use liquid fertilizers are gradually being complemented by a wider range of fine chemicals products for the industry: acids, methanol, kerosene. A new multifluid pipeline of the SISP company put in operation in early 2014 is now accelerating this product diversification phenomenon. The Lombard dock and the tank jetty handle 24h/24 and 7d/7 the high speed unloading and reloading of liquid bulk.





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MAJOR OPERATORS OF SOLID AND LIQUID BULK

The port operators handle, with a high level of environmental requirements, all types of solid and liquid bulk, using tools specially adapted for each product (dust removing loaders, conveyor belts and pipelines in particular).

Operators Characteristics	BLP La Rochelle (SGMT)	Groupe Maritime Kuhn (FAST/ EVA)	Groupe SICA Atlantique (SISP/ATENA/Delpech Maritime/EVA)
Terminals	Lock Basin and Môle d'Escale	Anse Saint-Marc and Môle d'Escale	Anse Saint-Marc / Môle d'Escale / Tank Jetty / Lombard Dock
Total storage capacity	29,000 m ²	. 1 approved scrap yard (FAST) . 30,000 m² of covered area (EVA) . 11,000 m² of land space (EVA) . 8 buildings (EVA)	. 75,000 t (ATENA) . 40,000 t (Delpech Maritime) . 90,000 m³ (SISP) . 30,000 m² of covered area (EVA) . 11,000 m² of land space (EVA) . 8 buildings (EVA)
Bagging capacity			1200 t/day (ATENA) 300 t/day (Delpech Maritime)
Handling equipment	1 16-inch pipeline	. Loaders and forklift trucks 3 mobile cranes from 40 to 104 t capacity (EVA) . Bulk bins from 12 to 26 m³ and scrap grapples (FAST) . 300 linear metres of belts and other conveyors (EVA) . 2 loaders including 1 dust remover (EVA)	. 12 loaders and big bag trolleys (ATENA) . 5 transport pipelines of 8 to 12 inches diameter, flow rate of 500 to 700 m³/h (SISP) . Loaders and forklifts (Delpech Maritime) . 3 mobile cranes from 40 to 104 t capacity (EVA) . 300 linear metres of belts and other conveyors (EVA) . 2 loaders including 1 dust remover (EVA)

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