

Bunkerspot

SINGAPORE: M&A news

November 22, 2010

Chemoil has announced its intention to acquire OceanConnect's marine fuel business - Thomas Reilly would replace Mike Bandy as Chemoil's CEO.

In a statement released by the Singapore Stock Exchange, Chemoil said it had entered into a Letter of Intent with OceanConnect over the potential purchase, and both parties are now engaged in the process of due diligence and are negotiating a definitive sale and purchase agreement.

The purchase of OceanConnect's marine fuel operations would bring to Chemoil a significant number of employees based in London, New York, Korea and Dubai, and would boost its annual sales volume by some 8.5 million metric tonnes.

If the deal is concluded, Thomas Reilly, the present CEO of OceanConnect, would take over Mike Bandy's role as CEO at Chemoil. Bandy, who was Chairman of OceanConnect until 2006, will remain as a non-independent director and Chairman of the Chemoil.

Chemoil states that it intends to bring the acquisition to a close before the end of the year.