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### Schenk strengthens position in DACH region with the acquisition of Franz Fischer Spedition GmbH

Papendrecht, 9 March 2026 – Schenk Tanktransport, one of North-West Europe’s leading tank transport companies, has acquired Franz Fischer Spedition GmbH, a renowned German tank transport specialist. The strategic acquisition expands Schenk’s European footprint and further strengthens its service offering in chemical logistics.

Following the acquisition, Schenk will generate a turnover of approx. €500 million and employ more than 2,900 people. The combined fleet will comprise over 1,500 trucks, 1,750 owned trailers and 1,000 tank containers.

The acquisition significantly reinforces Schenk’s market position in chemical tank transport in the DACH region and aligns with the company’s strategy to grow in core markets and specialised product segments. Franz Fischer Spedition GmbH is a family-owned company with more than 75 years of experience and a strong reputation in chemical tank transport in Germany and beyond. Its focus on safety, quality and operational excellence closely matches Schenk’s core values.

Franz Fischer Spedition GmbH specialises in the transport of liquid and dry bulk chemicals across continental Europe and the United Kingdom, serving leading customers. Its strong regional presence and established European network provide a solid platform for further growth within the Schenk Group, while ensuring continuity for existing customers.

#### Smooth transition

The company will remain under the leadership of the current management team, headed by Managing Director Franz Fischer. This ensures a smooth transition and uninterrupted service for customers.

*“We are proud to welcome the team of Franz Fischer Spedition to the Schenk Group,”* said Marcel Claessen, CEO of Schenk Tanktransport. *“This acquisition strengthens our position in chemical road transport in the DACH region and enables us to combine our strengths and expertise. We have full confidence in Franz Fischer and his current management team and look forward to working closely together to ensure continuity, build on the company’s strong foundation and further strengthen our services across Europe and the UK. Together, we are well positioned to drive sustainable growth and innovation.”*

*“Joining the Schenk Group marks an important next chapter for our company,”* said Franz Fischer, Managing Director and owner of Franz Fischer Spedition. *“Schenk shares our values, our focus on safety and quality, and our long-term view of the business. This partnership provides continuity for our employees and customers, while creating*

*new opportunities for growth and development. I very much look forward to working closely with Marcel and the Schenk team to build on our strong foundation and further strengthen our position together."*

### **About Schenk**

Schenk is a leading tank transport company in North-West Europe, specialising in the transport of liquid food, liquid chemicals, gases and (bio)fuels. The company employs more than 2,900 people, generates annual revenues of approximately €500 million and operates sites across Europe. Its head office is located in Papendrecht (the Netherlands), with additional locations in Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany and the United Kingdom.

In 2021, independent private equity firm Argos acquired a majority stake in Schenk as part of a succession plan. Schenk continues to grow both organically and through selective acquisitions.

### **About Franz Fischer Spedition GmbH**

Franz Fischer Spedition GmbH is a family-owned company with over 75 years of experience in the tank transport of liquid and dry bulk chemicals across continental Europe and the United Kingdom. The company, with locations in Germany and Switzerland, employs more than 220 people and operates over 100 tractor units, 160 trailers and 45 containers. It also operates its own workshop and a tank cleaning facility certified for both chemical and food products.

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