

# Usina Coruripe and Rumo inaugurates road & rail Terminal in Minas Gerais

Usina Coruripe, one of the main companies and players in the Brazilian sugar- energy sector, and Rumo, the largest railway operator in the country, inaugurated yesterday (June 9th) the Comendador Rubem Montenegro Wanderley road and rail terminal in Iturama (MG). With investments of R\$ 95 million by Usina Coruripe, it is a unit modern road-railway transshipment connected to the section of the North-South Railway under concession of Rumo (named by the company Malha Central).

The terminal has the capacity to handle 2 million tons of sugar from exports (VHP) per year and represents a strategic milestone for logistics in the region of Minas Triangle. With the generation of around 350 direct jobs in the region - 300 of which are people hired for the construction and another 50 for the effective operation of the terminal - the new unit operates within one of the Coruripe units (Km 15 of Highway BR-497, s/n, Rural Area of Iturama).

In the opinion of the president of Usina Coruripe, Mario Lorencatto, the terminal represents a new era both for the company and for the entire region, due to the important contribution to the country's railway logistics.

White flag, the new terminal will serve, in addition to the Coruripe's volume, other companies interested in rail logistics. It will be operated on a pool basis, which reduces costs and increases transport productivity. Infrastructure management will be done by Usina Coruripe, with Rumo being responsible for the rail transport to the Port of Santos.

The Comendador Rubem Montenegro Wanderley terminal ensures competitiveness in freight for the entire sector within a radius of between 400 and 500 kilometers. With that, will meet all the Triangulo Mineiro and the plants in the south of Goias. Operational efficiency is the key differential of the unit, which has a total area of 20 hectares.

The modern and highly productive structure includes a railway loop to speed up the loading process, two dumpers, a warehouse of 45 thousand tons of static capacity and a loading bin of 1,500 tons per hour, with potential to load three trains a day quickly and efficiently.

In the road reception part, the expected capacity is almost 300 trucks per day. Considering each truck loaded with 35 tons, the terminal will be able to receive 10 thousand tons per day.

The terminal started the testing phase in May and operation at full capacity will be from this month. It is estimated that 15 trains leave per month from Iturama towards the port of Santos, during the peak of the harvest between June and October.