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REPORT 2012

N.V. WESTERSCHELDE TUNNEL

Network length

The length of the Westerscheldetunnel and connecting roads is nearly 20 kilometres.

Investments

In 2011 the road on the north side of the tunnel was doubled in width to a 2x2 motorway. In 2012 we completed the doubling of the road on the south side of the tunnel.

Financing

The Province of Zeeland holds 100% of the shares of N.V. Westerscheldetunnel; 44% of the annual income is generated by a subsidy from the Province of Zeeland. The other 56% is income from toll charges.

Toll charges for the Westerscheldetunnel are only temporary: In 2033 the Westerscheldetunnel will be toll-free.

Traffic

In 2012 traffic decreased by 0.6% compared to 2011. For 2013 a growth of 1,6% is foreseen.

Teletoll subscribers are responsible for 68% of the traffic.

Tolls

In 2012 the taxes in the Province of Zeeland increased more than normal. A part of this higher taxes were used by us to get more variety in the structure of tariffs.

These variety will cost approximately € 2 million per year.

In 2012 the toll for teletoll subscribers was the same as in 2011. The regular tariff increased with 2%.

The height, which is a parameter for the toll was raised from 2,5 meter to 3,0 meter and a special tariff for motorcyclists (50% of the regular tariff) was added.

The 'heavy user' discount which was introduced in 2011 was enlarged. If a subscriber drove through the tunnel over 150 (2011: 200 times) times the following trips would give that subscriber an extra discount of 20% (2011:12,5%).

In 2012 the average charge for light vehicles was € 0.25 per kilometre. The charge for teletoll subscribers was € 0.19 per kilometre.

In 2012 the average charge for heavy vehicles was € 1.25 per kilometre. The charge for teletoll subscribers was € 0.95.

As a result of the positive renewal of the main maintenance contract we are able to have the same charges in 2013 as in 2012.

Safety

In 2012 there were fortunately no fatal accidents.

Long-term forecasts and tendencies

In 2015 the Sluiskiltunnel will open which will offer the opportunity of travelling between Goes (Ned) and Gent (Bel) without interruption. An increase in traffic is foreseen once the tunnel is open. The Sluiskiltunnel will not be subject to toll charges.

MAIN ASECAP KEY FIGURES

N.V. Westerscheldetunnel	2012
Network length	20 km
2 x 2 lanes	
2 x 3 lanes	
2 x 4 lanes.....	
No. of km under construction	-
Forecasts for opening motorway sections	-
Annual toll revenue	€ 26,755,948
Permanent staff	61.3
Average daily traffic (LV)	14,172
Average daily traffic (HV)	1,635
Average daily traffic (LV+HV)	15,807
Total number of accidents	2
No. of accidents resulting in personal injury	1
No. of fatal accidents	-
Km travelled (10 ⁶ x km)	115.7 mln.
No. of toll plazas	1
No. of lanes	14
No. of lanes equipped with teletoll	14
No. of teletoll subscribers	51,383
No. of rest areas (with station services)	-
No. of rest areas	-
No. of restaurants	-
No. of hotels	-