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Thailand looks at creation of national liner



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The Thai Transport Ministry is looking to establish a national shipping company.

The Port Authority of Thailand has conducted a feasibility study on the new liner, setting out the pros and cons of running it as a purely state-run entity or pursuing a public-private partnership model.

Initially, the plan is for the new containerline to focus on eight domestic routes, before expanding overseas.

The national shipping line plans to start with four containerships, according to the *Bangkok Post*.

Regional Container Line (RCL) is currently Thailand's leading liner, ranking 24th on Alphaliner's global rankings with a fleet of around 77,000 slots.

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