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DELEGATION FROM CHONGQING, CHINA VISITS THE PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA

On September 12, 2011, the American Society of Transportation and Logistics hosted the Yangtze Mississippi Rivers Forum in New Orleans, an event hosted last year in Chongqing, China, to continue the dialogue between U.S. and Chinese private and public entities regarding the use of inland waterways. On September 11, 2011, a 12-member delegation from Chongqing, accompanied by Zhang MengChuan, Deputy Director General of the Chongqing Bureau of Harbor and Navigation Administration, visited the Port of South Louisiana. After a tour of Globalplex Intermodal Terminal, where they were shown a video on the Port of South Louisiana in Mandarin Chinese, the group toured the Port’s 54-mile district by boat. Later, they were treated to lunch at a local eatery so they could enjoy some of the Louisiana cuisine.

The visit from the delegation was a reciprocal visit from the trip Port of South Louisiana representatives made to China in the fall of 2010.



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The Port of South Louisiana, a 54-mile port district on the Mississippi River between New Orleans and Baton Rouge, is the largest tonnage port in the Western Hemisphere. The cargo it handles accounts for over 50 percent of all Louisiana imports/exports.

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