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PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA HOLDS BRIEFING FOR CONSUL GENERAL OF FRANCE IN LOUISIANA

The Port of South Louisiana had the privilege of hosting a visit by the Consul General of France in Louisiana Grégor Trumel and Vice-Consul Olivia Lamy. Grégor Trumel was appointed as Consul General by the President of the French Republic in 2014 and has also served as First Counselor, Press Counselor, and Deputy Chief of Mission at French Embassies in Paris, the Netherlands, and Denmark.

During the event held at the Port’s Guesthouse, Executive Director Paul G. Aucoin gave a presentation on the Port of South Louisiana and a tour of Globalplex Intermodal Terminal. Trumel, in turn, gave an overview of the Consulate General of France, serving the New Orleans region as well as the entire state of Louisiana. The Consulate’s mission is to assist and protect interests of French citizens currently in the United States and to facilitate cooperation and trade between the two countries. Both Consul General Trumel and Aucoin spoke of Louisiana-France relations and pledged to boost Port of South Louisiana-France business partnerships. “We’d be delighted to have other French industries join those already located in the Port of South Louisiana district, like Air Liquide and Lafarge Corporation,” said Aucoin.

Among those in attendance were St. Charles Parish President Larry Cochran, St. John the Baptist Parish President Natalie Robottom, St. James Parish President Timothy Roussel, representatives from Louisiana Economic Development and the French-American Chamber of Commerce, and Port of South Louisiana staff.

Consul General of France in Louisiana Grégor Trumel (center), Vice-Consul Olivia Lamy (left) and Port of South Louisiana Executive Director Paul G. Aucoin (right)
About the Port of South Louisiana
The Port of South Louisiana is a 54-mile port district on the Mississippi River between New Orleans and Baton Rouge, encompassing the parishes of St. Charles, St. John and St. James. The facilities located within the port’s district consistently handle over a quarter billion short tons of cargo annually, ranking it the largest tonnage port district in the Western Hemisphere, the nation’s greatest grain exporter, and the number one energy transfer port in the United States. Along the 108 miles of deep-water frontage on both banks of the river there are seven grain transfer facilities, four major oil refineries, 11 petrochemical manufacturing facilities and several other facilities for a total of more than 50 docks owned and operated by an impressive group of resident tenants such as ADM, ArcelorMittal, Dow, Cargill, DuPont, Motiva Enterprises, Marathon, Shell, Nucor Steel, Occidental, Valero, and Occidental Chemical. To learn more, visit us at www.portsl.com, like us on Facebook, and follow us on LinkedIn.

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