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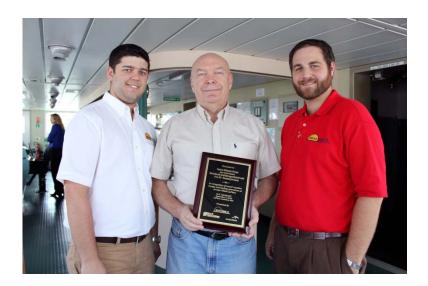
PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA CELEBRATES MAIDEN VOYAGE OF M/V COLORADO

On September 3rd, the Port of South Louisiana, Nord-Sud Shipping, and ArcelorMittal welcomed the crew of the M/V Colorado as they made their first call to the Port of South Louisiana. To commemorate the vessel's maiden voyage to the port district, the ship's Captain Mykhaylo Neboga was presented a Harbor Master Certificate and a ceremonial plaque by Linda Prudhomme (Port of South Louisiana), Dustin Berthelot and Brandt Morgan (Nord-Sud Shipping), and Robert Crais (ArcelorMittal).

Operating under the Antigua and Barbuda flag, the Panamax-sized vessel sailed from Haiti and arrived at the ArcelorMittal facility in St. John the Baptist Parish to take on over 30,000 metric tons of steel billets bound for Manilla, Philippines. Nord-Sud Shipping, whose corporate headquarters is located within the Port's jurisdiction in Lutcher, Louisiana, served as the ship's agent during its journey to the Port of South Louisiana.



Pictured (L-R): Linda Prudhomme, Port of South Louisiana's Director of Business Development; Captain Mykhaylo Nebog;, and Robert Crais, ArcelorMittal's Shipping & Depots Division Manager



Pictured (L-R): Brandt Morgan, Nord-Sud Shipping Vessel Agent; Captain Mykhaylo Neboga; and Dustin Berthelot, Nord-Sud Shipping Vice President of Marketing

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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