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Port of South Louisiana Executive Director Joins World Trade Center of New Orleans Board of Directors

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

The World Trade Center of New Orleans (WTC) has appointed Port of South Louisiana Executive Director Paul Aucoin to its 2015 Board of Directors. Mr. Aucoin's appointment expands the board to 20 directors, which includes Port of New Orleans President and CEO Gary LaGrange and Associated Terminals Director David Fennelly. Mr. Aucoin will take part in the organization's Government Affairs and Transportation committees.

"His service on the Board of Directors is greatly appreciated," said Dominik Knoll, Chief Executive Officer of the WTC. "We look forward to having the benefit of [his] counsel in helping us form and achieve the objectives of the World Trade Center."

Mr. Aucoin has served as Executive Director of the Port of South Louisiana since July 2013. A year before his appointment as Executive Director, he was the Port's Legal Counsel. Mr. Aucoin has practiced law since October 1970, having his own private practice since May 1971. He has affiliations with the American and Louisiana State Bar Associations, St. James Parish Economic Development Board, Louisiana Housing and Community Development Corporation, River Parishes Community College Board, River Parishes Tourist and Visitors Commission, and River Region Chamber of Commerce Board.

"I am excited and looking forward to serving on the World Trade Center board," said Aucoin. "It plays such an important role in Louisiana trade and I feel that as Executive Director of the Port of South Louisiana, I can contribute to that purpose."

About the World Trade Center of New Orleans

The World Trade Center of New Orleans (WTCNO) is one of the strongest international business organizations in the Gulf Coast region, consisting of 1,000+ companies as well as high profile individual members. This membership base represents a diverse group of industry leaders, companies, professional organizations, and government institutions that include manufacturers, energy, agriculture, maritime, digital media, foreign consulates, and other interests. In 2013, member organizations were able to significantly contribute to the state's record-breaking exports, the total value of which exceeded \$63.1 billion. To learn more visit www.wtcno.org.

About the Port of South Louisiana

The Port of South Louisiana, a 54-mile port district on the Mississippi River between New Orleans and Baton Rouge, encompasses St. Charles, St. John and St. James parishes. Its facilities 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 processing plants, and 11 petrochemical manufacturing facilities for a total of more than 50 piers and docks owned and operated by an impressive group of resident tenants like ADM, ArcelorMittal, Dow, Cargill, DuPont, Motiva Enterprises, Marathon, Shell, and Nucor Steel. To learn more visit www.portsl.com and like us on Facebook.

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