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PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA ACQUIRES TWO KONECRANES HSK CRANES FOR GLOBALPLEX

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In June 2020, Port of South Louisiana ordered two Konecranes Gottwald Model 6 Portal Harbor Cranes for its public facility, Globalplex Intermodal Terminal (Globalplex). With commissioning planned for September 2021, the cranes will increase capacity for bulk materials and add flexibility for future handling of containers and project cargo. The purchase of the \$12.72 million cranes was funded in part (90%) by \$11.448 million from LA DOTD's Port Construction and Development Priority Program.



The Port of South Louisiana is America's largest tonnage sea gateway for international trade. With increased throughput tonnage and the need for efficiency, Globalplex, located in Reserve, Louisiana and on the east bank of the Mississippi River, saw the need for new, updated equipment. Konecranes will be providing the required high-performance and robust port equipment that would handle the large cargo volume and years of continuous use.

"Acquiring these cranes is an important addition to our port," said Paul Aucoin, Executive Director for the Port of South Louisiana. "The Port of South Louisiana is committed to maintaining and expanding our infrastructure capabilities to keep the port competitive and efficient in the global market."

The two new cranes, Konecranes Gottwald Portal Harbor Cranes in the G HSK 6548 B four-rope variant, have a maximum lifting capacity of 125 tons. These flexible machines offer the potential for continuous-duty bulk material handling or heavy project cargo, but they'll also include a boom-top cable reel to operate electric spreaders for container handling. Included are smart crane features such as cargo-hold totalizer, hoisting-height and working-range assistants. Further, web reporting and remote desktop control utilize the latest technology that add ergonomics, efficiency, and safety to crane operation and performance. Mounted on customized portals, the cranes will use existing rail infrastructure. In order to

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minimize downtime, the order includes a large spare part package so that maintenance and some repairs can be completed quickly by their own technicians.

“We’ve taken the time to build a good customer relationship, and you can see the results,” says Alan Garcia, Sales Manager, Americas, Konecranes Port Solutions. “After two years working on this challenging project, it’s very satisfying to achieve what we set out to do. We hope to continue working with both Globalplex and Associated Terminals long into the future.”

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 (and the 16th largest in the world), the nation’s greatest grain exporter, and one of the major energy transfer ports 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 companies in the Port District, such as ADM, ArcelorMittal, Cargill, DowDupont, Marathon, Shell, Nucor Steel, Occidental, Valero, and Occidental Chemical. The Port also owns and operates the Executive Regional Airport (KAPS). To learn more, visit us at www.portsl.com, like us on [Facebook](#), and follow us on [LinkedIn](#).

About Konecranes

Konecranes is a world-leading group of Lifting Businesses™, serving a broad range of customers, including manufacturing and process industries, shipyards, ports and terminals. Konecranes provides productivity enhancing lifting solutions as well as services for lifting equipment of all makes. In 2019, Group sales totaled EUR 3.33 billion. Including MHE-Demag, the Group has around 18,000 employees in 50 countries. Konecranes shares are listed on the Nasdaq Helsinki (symbol: KCR).

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