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PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA LAUNCHES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SEARCH

LaPlace, LA.

At the beginning of August, Port of South Louisiana launched the search for its next executive director. Recently, the board of commissioners voted on and has now retained the services of Shey-Harding Executive Search, a west coast firm specialized to assist the port in locating its next administrator. In spite of Hurricane Ida's toll on our industry and community, we remain steadfast on fulfilling this task.

The new executive director will play an important role in leading, facilitating, and collaborating on key industry and organizational initiatives including long range plans, project development opportunities, key partnerships and business relationships, and national and regional branding, and now, post-hurricane restoration efforts through engagement with industry stakeholders, governing officials, committee officials, board members, and staff.

Established in 1990, and located in Seal Beach, California, Shey-Harding Executive Search is a woman-owned maritime transportation placement firm that conducts executive level searches for U.S. port authorities, ocean shipping companies and terminal operators.

About the Port of South Louisiana

Founded in 1960, the Port of South Louisiana [PSL] 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 [PSL and KAPS], and follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter.

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