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PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA CELEBRATES WIND ENERGY EXPANSION AT AVONDALE GLOBAL GATEWAY

Avondale, LA.

Port of South Louisiana CEO Paul Matthews made the below statement after Gulf Wind Technology announced its partnership with Shell to establish a research, training, and technology demonstration program at Avondale Global Gateway. Port of South Louisiana is currently seeking to acquire and further develop Avondale Global Gateway.

"When the Port of South Louisiana began to look at acquiring the transformed Avondale Global Gateway, we were not only impressed by the current activity on the property, but we also recognized the potential for future development, especially in the area of renewable energy. Today's announcement from Gulf Wind Technology and Shell is confirmation that Avondale is open for business and attracting commerce and investment from the world's most recognizable organizations. PortSL congratulates everyone involved in making today's announcement possible. This is just the beginning. We look forward to fostering more development and job creation as Avondale Global Gateway's new owner."

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 the Baptist, and St. James. The Port of South Louisiana is the largest port in Louisiana and #2 in the Western Hemisphere. It ranks as the #1 U.S. grain exporter and #2 U.S. energy transfer port. Port SL is home to seven grain transfer facilities, four major oil refineries, 11 petrochemical manufacturing facilities and several other facilities, including the **Executive Regional Airport.**

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