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PORT FREEPORT DELEGATION PARTICIPATES IN PANAMA TRADE MISSION

FREEPORT, TX (August 10, 2016) – Port Freeport delegation participates in Panama trade mission. The Port was well represented at the recently-concluded Texas Trade Mission to Panama, led by Texas Lt. Governor Dan Patrick and Senator Brandon Creighton, Chair of the Senate Select Committee on Ports. Commission Chairman Ravi Singhania, Commissioner John Hoss, CEO Phyllis Saathoff and Business and Economic Development Director Jason Miura joined in meetings and tours with private sector and Panamanian Government officials and observed the expanded Panama Canal in operation.

CEO Saathoff presented Trade Mission attendees with a report on Port Freeport, highlighting its successes to date and focusing on the future, where Port Freeport looks forward to the new opportunities that the Panama Canal Expansion is bringing to both our Port and the entire State of Texas.

Upon returning, Chairman Singhania noted the “incredible opportunity for networking, exploring and understanding” that the Trade Mission provided, stating, “We continue cultivating the tremendous partnership opportunities because of the Panama Canal Expansion, establishing relationships that will last for generations to come. This Trade Mission will help shape our area’s next great economic legacy.”

Port Freeport is ranked among the Nation’s top 35 ports. The Channel serves Dow Chemical, Phillips 66, BASF, Tenaris, Vulcan Material, Mammoet, Freeport Liquefield Natural Gas, American Rice, Dole, Chiquita, Seaway, Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC) and Hoegh Autoliners.

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