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Port Commissioner to Address Pipeliners on Crude Oil Exports

Corpus Christi, TX, USA – The federal repeal of a several decade long ban on crude oil exports from the United States has positioned Port Corpus Christi as an emergent leader for export of crude and condensate materials from South Texas. An historic first export of U.S. crude oil left Port Corpus Christi on the final day of 2015. This historic export shipment of U.S. crude oil is symbolic of increased export traffic expected from Port Corpus Christi. On Thursday, January 14, 2015, Port Corpus Christi Commissioner, Barabara Canales, will address the San Antonio Pipeliners Association (SAPA) at the Hilton Garden Inn at the Rim from 11 AM – 1 PM.

Commissioner Canales will speak regarding the lift of the oil export ban and opportunities for Texas as a net exporter of energy. Pipeline connections feed Port Corpus Christi from a number of oil producing areas including the Eagle Ford Shale. Many San Antonio based businesses are rooted in the shale formation and its connection to the South Texas port.

"Our port is positioned for the new opportunities that the lift of the crude oil export ban brings to our region. We have the infrastructure and the ability to handle large volumes of export crude," said Barbara Canales, Secretary, Port Corpus Christi Commission.

Founded in November 2013, the San Antonio Pipeliners Association has more than 200 members and provides monthly meetings as well as scholarships to college students pursuing a career in science, math, or technology.

What: Port Corpus Christi Commissioner Barbara Canales to Address San Antonio

Pipeliners Association

When: Thursday, January 14, 2015 11AM-1PM

Where: Hilton Garden Inn at the Rim, San Antonio, Texas

As the primary economic engine of the Coastal Bend, Port Corpus Christi is the 5th largest port in the United States in total tonnage. Our mission; to "Leverage Commerce to Drive Prosperity." Our vision; "To be the energy port of the America's." Strategically located on the western Gulf of Mexico, with a straight, 45' deep channel, Port Corpus Christi provides quick access to the Gulf and the entire United States inland waterway system. The Port delivers outstanding access to overland transportation with on-site direct connections to three Class-1 railroads and uncongested interstate and state highways. Port Corpus Christi is protected by a state-of-theart security department and an award-winning Environmental Management System. With outstanding management and operations staff, Port Corpus Christi is clearly "The Port of the Lone Star State." http://www.portcorpuschristi.com/

Port Corpus Christi is a member of **START (South Texas Alliance for Regional Trade)**, a collaborative effort that highlights business opportunities in South Texas in the manufacturing, energy, aerospace, international trade, military, and other sectors and the related strategic support provided by Port San Antonio, Port Corpus Christi, and Port Laredo. http://www.southtexastrade.com/

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