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Port of Corpus Christi Wins Deal of the Year Award at Lloyd's List Americas Awards Gala

Fifth Annual Awards Ceremony Celebrates Outstanding Contributions in the Maritime Industry

Corpus Christi, TX, USA – The Port of Corpus Christi, the fourth largest port by tonnage and the number one crude oil export port in the United States, was recognized in a ceremony on May 23, 2018, and received the "Deal of the Year" award at the Lloyd's List Americas Awards gala in Houston, TX. Lloyd's List is a leading shipping industry publication and maritime intelligence organization, whose awards highlight companies and individuals who exhibit unparalleled commitment to safety, innovation in technology and boldness in business dealings.

The Port of Corpus Christi was awarded "Deal of the Year" in recognition for its lease agreement with Gulf Coast Growth Ventures (GCGV) Asset Holding LLC, which authorizes a 13-acre multipurpose cargo dock and a 35-acre marine terminal facility at the Port of Corpus Christi. Finalists were chosen by a panel of experts and industry executives from across the Americas.

"We are honored to receive this distinguished award from Lloyd's. The partnership with Gulf Coast Growth Ventures demonstrates the Port of Corpus Christi's continued commitment to responsible, sustainable economic development for the South Texas region, the State of Texas and the Nation,-" said Sean Strawbridge, Port of Corpus Christi CEO.



Pictured Left to Right: Nelda Olivo, Commissioner Rick Valls, Jarl Pedersen, Rosie Collin and Rob Tully of GCGV

The \$9.5 billion project is estimated to create over 600 permanent jobs in the U.S., with an average wage of \$91,000. Over the next 10 years, it will lead to the creation of over 2,000 direct and indirect jobs.

The GCGV project is consistent with the Port of Corpus Christi's strategic plan to provide maritime facilities and services to meet customer needs and provide infrastructure and services to support maritime and industrial development.

"This award is the direct result of tremendous regional collaborative effort and leadership," **said Charles W. Zahn, Jr., Port of Corpus Christi**

Commission Chairman. "We are excited to welcome ExxonMobil and SABIC as our neighbors and partners in innovation."

About Port Corpus Christi

As the leading U.S. Crude Oil export port and a major economic engine of Texas and the nation, Port Corpus Christi is the 4th largest port in the United States in total tonnage. Strategically located on the western Gulf of Mexico with a 36 mile, 47 foot (MLLW) deep channel, Port Corpus Christi is a major gateway to international and domestic maritime commerce. The Port has excellent railroad and highway network connectivity via three North American Class-1 railroads and two major interstate highways. With an outstanding staff overseen by its seven member commission, Port Corpus Christi is "Moving America's Energy." http://www.portcorpuschristi.com/

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