

MISSISSIPPI PORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING

July 26, 2022

Minutes of the Mississippi State Port Authority Board of Commissioners Meeting,
Tuesday, July 26, 2022, at 2510 14th Street, Suite 1450, Gulfport, Mississippi at which
the following Commissioners and staff were present:

Commissioners: Robert J. Knesal, President
James C. Simpson, Jr., Vice-President
John Rester, Secretary
Cowles Symmes, Treasurer

Staff: Jon Nass, CEO (via telephone)
Matthew Wypyski, Deputy Director/COO
Kim Purchner, Exec. Asst./HRO
DeeDee Wood, CFO
James Buras, Port Engineer
Shawn Meyer, Director of Operations
Allison Chimenya, Marketing Analyst

Ben Stone, Legal Counsel

Others: David Machado, Machado Patano Engineering
Duane Wilson, Chemours
Greg Schruoff, SSA
Laura Luce, Hy-Stor Energy
Jill Kinnard, Hy-Stor Energy
J.T. Blalock, Hy-Stor Energy

Commissioner Knesal noted the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Knesal.

The invocation was given by DeeDee Wood, MSPA.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

A presentation was given by Laura Luce, Hy-Stor.

Commissioner Rester moved to approve the Minutes from the June 23, 2022, Board Meeting. Commissioner Symmes seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Simpson moved to approve travel (August 9-12) Meyer to Colombia; (August 17-25) Nass to Costa Rica/Panama; (September 12-14) Wypyski to Long Beach,

CA; (September 17-22) Buras to Honolulu, HI. Commissioner Rester seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Rester moved to approve the disbursements listed below. Commissioner Symmes seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

DISBURSEMENTS THROUGH JULY 07, 2022			
BILLS FOR THE MONTHS OF JUNE AND JULY 2022 APPROVED AND PAID			
FROM THE GROSS REVENUE FUND OF THE MS STATE PORT AUTHORITY AT GULFPORT			
CHK#	VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	CHK AMT
58585	ABB, Inc.	Power Unit for Crane #1	4,217.00
58586	AGJ Systems & Networks, Inc.	Computer Equipment	80.03
58587	AirGas Gulf States	Argon and Compressed Gas Cylinders	191.65
58588	Alimak Group USA Inc	Quarterly Crane Elevator Inspections	2,190.00
58589	All Safe Technologies, LLC	Fire Alarm Monitoring	279.65
58590	B.E.A.R.	Flipper Spacers for Cranes	1,488.00
58591	Sparklight	Internet Services	93.18
58592	CenterPoint Energy	Natural Gas Services	30.77
58593	CenterPoint Energy	Natural Gas Services	30.77
58594	Chancellor, Inc.	Electrical Supplies for North Gate	470.27
58595	Allison Chimenya	Travel Expenses	287.44
58596	City of Gulfport	Water	6,048.85
58597	Core Logistical Solutions, LLC	Ocean Aero Door Repair	2,040.00
58598	Collection Services Center	Employee Deductions	90.06
58599	Conway Data, Inc.	Advertising	5,100.00
58600	Consolidated Electrical Distributors, Inc	Breaker for Shed 50 Lights	670.00
58601	ESL Power Systems, Inc.	Dole Reefer Plugs	46,572.90
58602	Federal Express Corp.	Express Mail Services	30.68
58603	Foliage Design Systems, Inc.	Interior Plant Maintenance	522.78
58604	Fuelman	Fuel for MSPA Vehicles	1,340.18
58605	Galliano Marine Service LLC	Duplicate Payment Refund	1,076.13
58606	Grainger, Inc.	Small Hand Tool	57.32
58607	Great Southern Club	Monthly Dues and Business Expenses	209.64
58608	Gulf Coast Business Supply, Inc.	Office Supplies	612.84
58609	Lowe's Home Center, Inc.	Mitigation Supplies for Cotton Compress Blue Shed	560.67
58610	Magnolia Printing Co.	Posters for Trade Shows	58.50
58611	Mark Dunning Industries, Inc.	Waste Removal Services	260.00
58612	Meltwater News US Inc.	Media Monitoring Subscription Renewal	5,000.00
58613	MS Power Company	Electricity	169,708.43
58614	MS Pub. Employees Credit Union	Employee Deductions	445.00
58615	Jon T. Nass	Travel Expenses	481.67
58616	United Rentals (North America), Inc.	Light Tower Rental	275.00
58617	Pass Road Mini Storage, LLC	Storage Unit Rent	180.00
58618	RJ Young Company, Inc.	Printer Maintenance	540.47
58619	Rotolo Consultants, Inc. dba RCI	Irrigation System Repairs	1,004.92
58620	SBL Strategies, LLC	Professional Consulting Services	10,000.00
58621	Stericycle, Inc.	Document Shredding Services	149.14
58622	Norma Jean Soroe	Transcription Services	309.48
58623	Southern Admin. and Benefits	Monthly Service Fee	209.00
58624	Swetman Security Services, Inc.	Security Guard Services	32,862.90
58625	Threaded Fasteners, Inc.	Maintenance Supplies and Anchor Post for Signs	193.00
58626	Union Auto Parts	Toggle Switches for Unit #19	31.36
58627	Vulcan Construction Materials, LLC	Limestone for Set Out Yard	1,490.75
58628	Zoro Tools, Inc.	Safety and Maintenance Supplies	728.48
TRANSFERS			
06/30/22	Deferred Compensation	Employee Deductions	1,795.00

07/01/22	Public Employment Retirement	Retirement Match and Withheld	56,031.40
07/04/22	State School Insurance Fund/DFA	07/2022 Employee Health and Life Insurance	18,249.40
07/06/22	Federal Tax Deposit	Payroll Tax Deposit	29,297.59
Total			<u>\$403,592.30</u>

FINAL CHECKLIST FOR JULY 26, 2022

BILLS FOR THE MONTHS OF JUNE AND JULY 2022 APPROVED AND PAID

FROM THE GROSS REVENUE FUND OF THE MS STATE PORT AUTHORITY AT GULFPORT

CHK	VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	CHK AMT
58629	A-1 Elevator Service, LLC	Quarterly Elevator Maintenance	4,248.00
58630	ABB, Inc.	Install Drive Unit for Crane #1	12,738.82
58631	Kentwood Springs	Drinking Water	505.95
58632	AFLAC	Employee Deductions	1,787.94
58633	AGJ Systems & Networks, Inc.	Computer Maintenance	4,656.50
58634	AirGas Gulf States	Acetylene, Oxygen and Argon Cylinders	197.53
58635	Air Hydro Power, LLC	Anemometers for Cranes	2,788.32
58636	All Safe Technologies, LLC	Fire Alarm Monitoring	279.65
58637	ARA Services, LLC	Fabricate Rope Spools for Cranes	15,700.00
58638	Paul D. Jamerson	Install Landscaping Lights	8,927.00
58639	AT&T Corp	Website Hosting	164.96
58640	Sparklight	Cable Services	207.99
58641	Card Services	Travel Expenses	2,092.20
58642	Card Services	Encoders for Cranes, Office and Maintenance Supplies	6,692.80
58643	Card Services	Travel Expenses	274.31
58644	City of Gulfport	Water	3,934.48
58645	City Electric Supply	Breaker for Landscape Irrigation System	1,165.08
58646	Clarion Ledger	Advertising	1,250.00
58647	Collection Services Center	Employee Deductions	90.06
58648	C Spire Wireless	Cell Phone Services	947.82
58649	Deshazo, LLC	Replace Hoist Rope on Crane #1	5,911.38
58652	DSPM, Inc.	Replace Board Conversion on Auxiliary Power Unit for Crane #2	7,084.58
58653	Federal Express Corp.	Express Mail Services	31.74
58654	Fuelman	Fuel for MSPA Vehicles	796.28
58655	Grainger, Inc.	Welder, Welding Cart and Power Distribution Blocks	4,341.96
58656	Guardian	Employee Deductions	1,963.40
58657	Gulf Coast Business Supply, Inc.	United States and Mississippi Flags	1,049.00
58658	Whitney Bank Divisional Property	August Lease for Suite 1450	26,076.14
58659	Whitney Bank Trust & Asset Management	Investment Advisory Service Fees	50,571.88
58660	Carter Harrison	TWIC Renewal	125.25
58661	HeavyLiftpf LTD	Advertising	2,500.00
58662	Jerry's Lawn Mower Sales	Gas Trimmers	1,200.00
58663	Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP	Troubleshoot and Repair Fire Alarm System at Crowley	1,968.50
58664	Kalmar USA, Inc.	Sensors and Proximity Switches for Crane Spreaders	7,011.07
58665	Keeling Co. - Gulfport	Weed Killer	1,294.12
58666	Robert J. Knesal	Per Diem	240.00
58667	Lands' End, Inc.	Employee Uniforms	2,258.51
58668	Errol LaRue	Continuing Education Expense	240.00
58669	Mark P. Loughman	Per Diem	240.00
58670	Lowe's Home Center, Inc.	A/C Unit for Restroom, Hand Tools and Maintenance Supplies	356.24
58672	Mark Dunning Industries, Inc	Waste Removal Services	605.00
58673	McClatchy Company, LLC	Advertising	1,664.40
58674	Memorial Hospital at Gulfport	Pre-Employment Screening	35.00
58675	Shawn Meyer	Business and Travel Expenses	366.15
58676	MS Gulf Coast Chamber of Comm.	Sponsorship	500.00

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58678	MS Pub. Employees Credit Union	Employee Deductions	445.00
58679	MSPA Petty Cash Fund	Replenish Petty Cash	94.63
58680	MS Society of CPAs	Annual Dues	60.00
58681	Smart Sign	Vehicle Stickers	439.20
58682	United Rentals (North America), Inc.	Boom Rental	6,592.14
58683	Pass Road Mini Storage, LLC	Storage Unit Rent	165.00
58684	Portable Services, Inc.	Portable Restroom Services	255.00
58685	Legal Shield	Employee Deductions	61.81
58686	Redd Pest Solutions	Pest Control Services	230.00
58687	Rotolo Consultants, Inc. dba RCI	Landscape Services	2,941.28
58688	Seal Electrical, Inc.	Electrical Services	15,850.81
58689	Sorg Printing, LLC	Business Cards for Commissioners	76.00
58690	James C. Simpson, Jr.	Per Diem	40.00
58691	South Mississippi Business Machines	Copier Maintenance	573.93
58692	SSA Gulf Inc.	Office Trailer Rent for Cotton Compress	850.00
58693	BXS Insurance, Inc.	Insurance	1,381,788.66
58694	Stuart C. Irby Co.	Bulbs for Chiller	495.00
58695	Swetman Security Services, Inc.	Security Guard Services	33,701.63
58696	Cowles Edgar Symmes	Per Diem	160.00
58697	Trane U.S., Inc.	Replacement Humidity Sensor for Marine Research Building	2,763.00
58698	Vulcan Construction Materials, LLC	Limestone for Pothole Repairs	2,397.06
58700	Wright National Flood Ins.	Insurance	14,469.00
58701	Matthew Wypyski	Travel Expenses	766.92
58702	Zoro Tools, Inc.	Truck Jack and Safety Supplies	981.32
TRANSFERS			
07/14/22	MS Department of Revenue	Employee Deductions	8,284.00
07/14/22	Deferred Compensation	Employee Deductions	1,795.00
07/20/22	MS Department of Revenue	Sales Tax Payment	1,387.57
07/20/22	Federal Tax Deposit	Payroll Tax Deposit	8,448.80
Total			<u>\$1,713,942.77</u>

Commissioner Rester moved to approve the Port User Licenses, pending receipt of all fees and insurance documents. Commissioner Symmes seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

The following items were approved:

RENEWAL LICENSES:

Vendors: Coast Coca Cola Bottling Co.; J.C. Ehrlich Co. dba Presto X; Industrial Corrosion Control; Vacuum Services Group; Airgas USA, LLC

Steamship Agent: Mid-Gulf Shipping

NEW LICENSES:

Steamship Agent: Wilhelmsen Port Services, Inc. (formerly Wilhelmsen Ship Services, Inc.)

Transfer Company: TLD Logistics Services, Inc.

Commissioner Rester moved to approve the following progress payments: Balch & Bingham (\$24,011.53); Digital Engineering (\$62,905.50); DNA Underground (\$34,103.10); MP Design Group (\$73,191.93); Warren Paving (\$9,489.47); and WSP, Inc. (\$83,250.93). Commissioner Simpson seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Simpson moved to approve Cash Request #325 to CH2MHill for a total of \$17,942.11. Commissioner Rester seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Symmes moved to approve Cash Request #326 to Wharton Smith for a total of \$25,283.22. Commissioner Rester seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Symmes moved to approve Cash Request #327 to Eley Guild Hardy (\$32,431.50); MSPA (\$10,530.87); Wharton Smith (\$1,396,547.47) and Wharton Smith (53,818.26) for a total of \$1,493,328.10. Commissioner Rester seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Simpson moved to approve de-obligated amounts in order to close out completed and accepted work for the following:

Jacobs Engineering – Contract 19-EN-05 - Modification 2 to Task Order 1
Design of Conceptual Cruise Terminal - <\$21,364.92>

Jacobs Engineering – Contract 19-EN-05 - Modification 1 to Task Order 3
Feasibility Study for PIDP grant application - <\$31,250.50>

Warren Paving – Contract No. 22-EN-03 – Change Order 1 to Worker Order 2
Repair of 13 drain inlets – West Pier - <\$14,712.42>

Commissioner Rester seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Rester moved to approve Change Order No. 2 with DNA Underground, LLC under Contract No. 022-EN-01. Change Order No. 2 increases costs by \$33,991.10 and adds 20 days to the contract time. Commissioner Symmes seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Rester moved to award the East Pier rail repair contract to Continental Rails, Inc. Two bids were received, with Continental Rails, Inc. having the lowest and best bid at \$395,997.00. Commissioner Symmes seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Rester moved to approve a Professional Service Agreement with Machado-Patano, PLLC dba MP Design Group for consulting and engineering services. The term of the Agreement will be three years with a renewal option of one year. Commissioner Simpson seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Simpson moved to approve the Fiscal Year 2024 LBO Budget in the amount of \$76,730,151.00. Commissioner Rester seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Rester moved to approve Resolutions No. 22-01 and 22-02. Resolution 22-01 authorizes application to the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Grant for a \$2.5 million project for the planning and design of a cold storage facility. Resolution 22-02 authorizes the allocation and expenditure of MSPA's required match of 20% funding with the grant. Commissioner Symmes seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

PORT RESTORATION/ENGINEERING UPDATE:

Port Engineer, James Buras, updated Commissioners on ongoing engineering projects.

The National Wildlife & Fisheries Grant that was previously approved in August of 2021, was awarded but declined by the MS State Port Authority due to timing and rising costs.

OPERATIONS REPORT:

Shawn Meyer, Director of Operations, reported on the maritime activity for June 2022:

Vessels	18		Vehicles	12,639
TEU's	18,260		Railcar Count	794
Tonnage (short tons)	224,949			

TEU's were up by 7% over last year the tonnage count was up by 15%. From this same time last year, imports are up slightly, exports up significantly and bulk cargo is up as well.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:

Director Jon Nass mentioned a recent story by WLOX that featured Shawn Meyer, Director of Operations, and the excellent work he has done for the last nine months regarding in assisting the Seabees with their training.

Port staff were in Jackson a couple of weeks ago at a lumber conference, sponsored by the Mississippi Department of Agriculture. Many good contacts were made and we identified a number of lumber exporters that are interested in using our port. While there, we met again with Taylor Machines and look forward to co-marketing with them for future business.

We will host Secretary of State Michael Watson on Monday for a port tour and have recently heard from Lt. Governor Delbert Hosemann, who offered his support.

GENERAL COUNSEL'S COMMENTS:

Ben Stone had no comments.

MDA'S COMMENTS:

MDA was not in attendance.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS:

Commissioner had no comments.

Commissioner Rester moved to close the meeting to discuss the need for an Executive Session. Commissioner Symmes seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Commissioner Simpson moved to enter Executive Session to discuss real estate matters (lease negotiations), legal matters (potential litigation) and personnel matters. Commissioner Rester seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

(THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT APPROXIMATELY 2:10 P.M.)

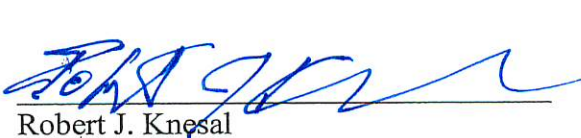
Commissioner Rester moved to come out of Executive Session. Commissioner Symmes seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.


Commissioner Knesal stated that no action took place during Executive Session.

Commissioner Symmes moved to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:00 p.m.

Approved and Attested


Robert J. Knesal
President


John Rester
Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 22-01

After proper notice, a quorum of the Board of Commissioners ("Board") of the Mississippi State Port Authority at Gulfport ("MSPA") took up for consideration the matter of authorizing the MSPA to pursue and apply for certain grant funds, including, without limitation, the Mississippi Gulf Coast Restoration Funds Grant Program (collectively, the "Grant Funds"), for the purpose of making certain improvements of facilities at the State Port. Commissioner Rester moved for the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF THE MSPA AUTHORIZING THE MSPA TO PURSUE AND APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST RESTORATION FUNDS, WHICH WILL BE USED FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE STATE PORT.

WHEREAS, Section 59-5-37(1) of the Mississippi Code authorizes, among other things, the MSPA to make all contracts and purchases incidental to or necessary for the advancement, promotion and development of the State Port;

WHEREAS, in a manner consistent with the authority granted under Section 59-5-37(1) of the Mississippi Code, the MSPA is eligible to pursue and apply for certain grant funds that will be used for the advancement, development and improvement of facilities at the State Port;

WHEREAS, the MSPA has identified the use of grant funds for certain improvements at the State Port, including, without limitation, the planning and preliminary design of a cold storage and blast freezer facility and a study to determine: (1) the most advantageous location for such a facility, and (2) the utility upgrades that would be necessary for such a facility;

WHEREAS, these expanded operations will create additional sources of revenue for the State Port and the increased capacity for such operations will stimulate economic growth and development at the State Port and throughout the Mississippi Gulf Coast region;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the MSPA hereby authorizes the MSPA to pursue and apply for certain grant funds that the MSPA is eligible to receive for the purpose of advancing, promoting and developing the State Port, including, without limitation, pursuing all those grant opportunities that support projects that will impact the competitiveness of State Port and have the potential to generate increased economic activity at the State Port and throughout the Mississippi Gulf Coast region;

WHEREAS, on September 5, 2018, Governor Phil Bryant signed Senate Bill 2002 into law, establishing the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund (the "GCRF"), which is codified at Section 57-119-1, *et seq.* of the Mississippi Code;

WHEREAS, under the GCRF, grant funds shall be used for programs and projects that have the potential to generate increased economic activity in the Gulf Coast region and applicants eligible for assistance under the GCRF include, without limitation, local units of government, nongovernmental organizations, institutions of higher learning, community

airports, public-private partnerships, private for-profit entities, private nonprofit entities and local economic development entities;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes and directs the MSPA, by and through its Executive Director and/or his designee, to pursue and apply for certain Grant Funds that the MSPA is eligible to receive, including, without limitation, GCRF Funds, and to execute, complete and deliver all necessary documentation, applications and other instruments to the appropriate authority administering such grant(s), as may be required at any time and from time-to-time, based upon each Grant’s requirements and to do and perform such other acts and deeds on behalf of the MSPA as may be deemed necessary or desirable at any time or from time-to-time in connection with the matters contemplated in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, that, any and all actions heretofore or hereafter taken by the Executive Director and/or his designee in the name and on behalf of the MSPA in connection with or related to the matters set forth herein as contemplated by the foregoing Resolution be, and are hereby adopted, affirmed, approved and ratified in all respects as the act of the MSPA.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE PORT AUTHORITY AT GULFPORT, AS FOLLOWS:

The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes and directs the MSPA, by and through its Executive Director and/or his designee, to pursue and apply for certain Grant Funds that the MSPA is eligible to receive, including, without limitation, GCRF Funds, and to execute, complete and deliver all necessary documentation, applications and other instruments to the appropriate authority administering such grant(s), as may be required at any time and from time-to-time, based upon each Grant’s requirements and to do and perform such other acts and deeds on behalf of the MSPA as may be deemed necessary or desirable at any time or from time-to-time in connection with the receipt of Grant Funds, which will be used for the advancement, promotion and development of the State Port, including, without limitation, projects that will impact the competitiveness of State Port and have the potential to generate increased economic activity at the State Port and throughout the Mississippi Gulf Coast region.

Commissioner Symmes seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

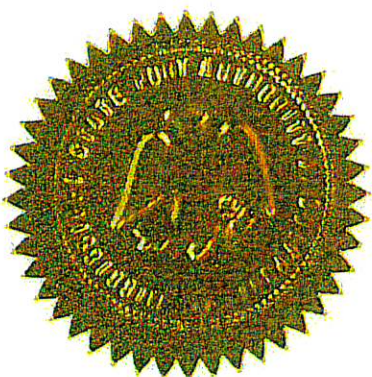
	<u>Voted:</u>
Commissioner Knesal	<u>Aye</u>
Commissioner Simpson	<u>Aye</u>
Commissioner Rester	<u>Aye</u>
Commissioner Symmes	<u>Aye</u>
Commissioner Loughman	<u>Absent</u>

The motion having received the foregoing vote of the Board of Commissioners, the President declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted, on this the 26th day of July, 2022.



JOHN RESTER, SECRETARY

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RESOLUTION NO. 22-02

After proper notice, a quorum of the Board of Commissioners ("Board") of the Mississippi State Port Authority at Gulfport ("MSPA") took up for consideration the matter of authorizing the MSPA to allocate and expend 20% matching funds for the exclusive use of eligible projects being pursued and applied for by the MSPA under the Mississippi Gulf Coast Restoration Funds ("GCRF") Grant Program for the purpose of making certain improvements to facilities at the State Port. Commissioner Rester moved for the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF THE MSPA AUTHORIZING THE MSPA TO ALLOCATE AND EXPEND 20% MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF ELIGIBLE PROJECTS BEING PURSUED AND APPLIED FOR BY THE MSPA UNDER THE MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST RESTORATION FUNDS GRANT PROGRAM, WHICH WILL BE USED FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS AT THE STATE PORT.

WHEREAS, Section 59-5-37(1) of the Mississippi Code authorizes, among other things, the MSPA to make all contracts and purchases incidental to or necessary for the advancement, promotion and development of the State Port;

WHEREAS, in a manner consistent with the authority granted under Section 59-5-37(1) of the Mississippi Code, the MSPA is eligible to pursue and apply for certain grant funds that will be used for the advancement, development and improvement of facilities at the State Port;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has authorized, by separate resolution, the MSPA to pursue and apply for GCRF Grant Funds for certain improvements at the State Port, including, without limitation, the planning and preliminary design of a cold storage and blast freezer facility and a study to determine: (1) the most advantageous location for such a facility, and (2) the utility upgrades that would be necessary for such a facility (the "Cold Storage Project");

WHEREAS, the Cold Storage Project will create additional sources of revenue for the State Port and the increased capacity for such operations will stimulate economic growth and development at the State Port and throughout the Mississippi Gulf Coast region;

WHEREAS, the MSPA hereby accepts the Opinion of Probable Cost for a cold storage facility, dated _____, prepared by James Buras, showing an estimated cost of \$2,500,000.00 for the planning and feasibility study and preliminary design of the facility, a copy of the estimate is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and fully incorporated herein by this reference;

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the pursuit of such GCRF Grant Funds, the Board of Commissioners of the MSPA hereby authorizes the MSPA to allocate and expend 20% matching funds for the exclusive use of the Cold Storage Project based upon the preliminary cost estimate referenced hereinabove, which amount of said matching funds is currently estimated to be \$500,000.00, which matching funds may be increased based upon the MSPA's receipt of final design plans and total project costs;

WHEREAS, the source of the MSPA's matching funds for the Cold Storage Project shall be from the MSPA's operating account, which the entire balance of the matching funds have been

presently secured and shall remain as readily available funds exclusively earmarked for the Cold Storage Project in said account until such time as a final eligibility determination for such Project is made and in the event the MSPA is not awarded the GCRF Grant Funds, the matching funds shall be released from its exclusive earmark for the Cold Storage Project without further action by the Board of Commissioners;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 59-5-37(1) of the Mississippi Code and in the event the MSPA is awarded GCRF Grant Funds for the purposes stated herein, the Board of Commissioners hereby finds that the allocation and expenditure of 20% matching funds for the exclusive use of the Cold Storage Project is incidental to or necessary for the advancement, promotion and development of the State Port and creates additional sources of revenue for the State Port and increases the capacity for such operations that be designed to stimulate economic growth and development at the State Port and throughout the Mississippi Gulf Coast region;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes and directs the MSPA, by and through its Executive Director and/or his designee, to allocate and expend the 20% matching funds currently estimated to be in the amount of \$500,000.00, which amount may be increased based upon the MSPA's receipt of final design plans and total project costs, for the exclusive use of the Cold Storage Project, and to execute, complete and deliver all necessary documentation, applications and other instruments to the appropriate authority administering such grant(s), as may be required at any time and from time-to-time, based upon the GCRF Grant requirements and to do and perform such other acts and deeds on behalf of the MSPA as may be deemed necessary or desirable at any time or from time-to-time in connection with the matters contemplated in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, that, any and all actions heretofore or hereafter taken by the Executive Director and/or his designee in the name and on behalf of the MSPA in connection with or related to the matters set forth herein as contemplated by the foregoing Resolution be, and are hereby adopted, affirmed, approved and ratified in all respects as the act of the MSPA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE PORT AUTHORITY AT GULFPORT, AS FOLLOWS:

The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes and directs the MSPA, by and through its Executive Director and/or his designee, to allocate and expend from the MSPA's operating account the 20% matching funds currently estimated to be in the amount of \$500,000.00, which amount may be increased based upon the MSPA's receipt of final design plans and total project costs, for the exclusive use of the Cold Storage Project, and to execute, complete and deliver all necessary documentation, applications and other instruments to the appropriate authority administering such grant(s), as may be required at any time and from time-to-time, based upon the GCRF Grant requirements and to do and perform such other acts and deeds on behalf of the MSPA as may be deemed necessary or desirable at any time or from time-to-time in connection with the matters contemplated in this Resolution.

Commissioner Symmes seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

	<u>Voted:</u>
Commissioner Knesal	<u>Aye</u>
Commissioner Simpson	<u>Aye</u>
Commissioner Rester	<u>Aye</u>
Commissioner Symmes	<u>Aye</u>
Commissioner Loughman	<u>Absent</u>

The motion having received the foregoing vote of the Board of Commissioners, the President declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted, on this the 26th day of July, 2022.



JOHN RESTER, SECRETARY

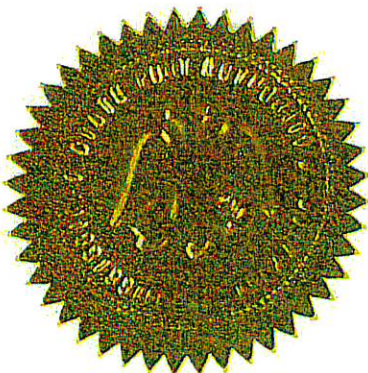


Exhibit A

Port of Gulfport
Cold Storage Facility (100,000 SF)
Option of Probable Cost

Cold Storage Facility Option of Probably Cost

Item Description	Cost
Sitework	\$ 10,000,000.00
Building Structure	\$ 20,000,000.00
Mechanical/Refrigeration	\$ 10,000,000.00
Electrical	\$ 7,000,000.00
Fire Protection	\$ 2,000,000.00
Sub-Total-Construction	\$ 49,000,000.00
Contingency (15%)	\$ 7,380,000.00
Planning & Feasibility Study (SCRF Funded)	\$ 500,000.00
Preliminary Design (4%) (SCRF Funded)	\$ 2,000,000.00
Project Administration (3%)	\$ 2,450,000.00
Engineering and Construction Services (10%)	\$ 4,900,000.00
Total Project Cost	\$ 86,200,000.00

Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Scope

Funding Source	SWF	Travel	Arch/Eng	Legal	Consult	Construct	Site Work	Equipment	Land	Other 1	Other 2	Total	Del
MSPA Reserves	\$	-	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 20,000	\$ 380,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	500,000 Del
Gulf Coast Restoration Fund	\$	-	\$ 2,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2,000,000 Del
Total	\$	-	\$ 100,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 380,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2,500,000 Del