

LOUISIANA INTERNATIONAL GULF TRANSFER TERMINAL (LIGTT)



LOCATION – The 2,500-acre Louisiana International Gulf Transfer Terminal (LIGTT) port site is located in over 70+ feet of water east of the mouth of the Southwest Pass where the Mississippi River meets the Gulf of Mexico.

PURPOSE – It is Louisiana’s primary outreach effort to the global marketplace to capture the anticipated increase in vessels carrying containers coming through the widened Panama Canal after 2015 in addition to the 18,000 plus newer container ships coming from the Suez Canal. It will be the nation’s first transfer terminal for cargo in containers (TEU’s) strategically designed to serve container vessels too large to enter in to the Mississippi River thereby preserving market share and enhancing growth of the container market share for the Port of New Orleans. The LIGTT terminal will also be the catalyst to establish the European-Asian “short-sea shipping” strategy throughout the interior of the United States (via the 14,500 mile Mississippi River and its tributaries) serving ports in 32 states. Louisiana built specialized self-propelled container vessels carrying up to 2,500 containers requiring just nine (9) feet of draft is the key to developing an all-new supply chain through the interior of the U.S. taking the strain off our nation’s highways and railways. LIGTT will also serve ports in the Gulf of Mexico, both in the U.S. and foreign.

ORGANIZATION – The Louisiana International Gulf Transfer Terminal Authority was created by ACT 699 of the 2008 regular session of the Louisiana legislature.

PORT COMMISSIONERS – a fifteen-member board of commissioners governs the port.

A.G. Crowe - President
John Hyatt - VP
Dennis Crawford - VP
Scott Becnel - Treasurer
Chris Westbrook - Secretary
Secretary Don Pierson - LED
Secretary Shawn Wilson - DOTD
Representative Kenny Havard
Senator Page Cortez
Captain Ronald Branch
Captain Michael Lorino
Matthew Gresham
Kelvin Dedner
Jeffrey Davis
Vacant

PRIMARY CARGOES: Container Vessels

WATER DEPTH: 70 Feet



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