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KRESTA JOINS PORT FREEPORT COMMISSION

FREEPORT, TX (June 17, 2009) – Paul A. Kresta recently joined the Port Commission during a formal swearing-in ceremony presented by the Honorable Judge Marc W. Holder and attended by family and friends.

Kresta is a life-long resident of Brazoria County and employed for the past 30 years by ConocoPhillips Sweeny Complex currently in the position of Operations Specialist. In addition, he is also in the private ranching business. Kresta has served on the Board of the Brazoria County Fair Association for the last 25 years and served two terms as president. He has also contributed 15 years to the Brazoria County Cattlemen's Association as a member of the board and served as president for two years. Kresta, married for more than 25 years, has four children and enjoys volunteering, cooking, ranching, traveling and spending time with his family.

Port Freeport currently ranks 16th among U.S. ports in international cargo tonnage handled. With a current channel of 45-foot depth, soon to be widened and deepened, just 3 miles from open Gulf of Mexico waters, Port Freeport offers more than 7,500 acres for future development. Port Freeport serves its customers and stakeholders through development and marketing of competitive world-class navigational capabilities, technically advanced marine and multimodal terminal services and port-related industrial facilities while achieving profits and creating jobs as a leading economic catalyst for the Texas Gulf Coast.

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