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TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS ON CREW SHORE LEAVE RESCINDED

Freeport (June 26, 2020) - On Tuesday June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 the U.S. and Border Protection Department

of Homeland Security (CBP) servicing the seaport Houston/Galveston area has released a public

information notice (HOU SEA 20-008) stating the temporary restrictions implemented in Public Notice

20-005 dated March 23, 2020, remanding crew members to their vessels have been rescinded. The new

public notice states that shore leave processing and inspection crews will return to previously established

operational procedures. Crew sign-off requests will be reviewed for approval and granted only when the

crewmember meets all safety, health, and travel criteria as required by CBP procedures. For questions

regarding the recent public notice issued by the CBP, please contact Assistant Port Director Greg Vawter

or a Watch Commander at (713) 454-8002.

Port Freeport and all terminals along the Freeport Harbor Channel continue to maintain regular

service levels and are conducting normal vessel and terminal operations. Preventative measures are in

place to protect the health and well-being of port, terminal, transportation workers, and the community.

Everyone at the port is committed to doing their part to prevent the spread of the virus by practicing

preventative measures when at work performing essential transportation and logistics services. We

appreciate everyone's commitment to the health and safety of our workforce and community.

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