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**26th YEAR IN A ROW PORT FREEPORT AWARDED CERTIFICATE OF
ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING BY GFOA**

FREEPORT, TX (November 23, 2015) – For the 26th year in a row, the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to Port Freeport by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada, (GFOA), for its 2014 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

This Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

“Through the dedication by Mary Campus, Controller and hard work of the employees in the Finance Department. Port Freeport keeps our accounting and financial reporting system at the highest national standard possible; this award shows that achievement,” said Jeff Strader, Chief Financial Officer.

The CAFR has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR. The GFOA is a non-profit, professional association serving approximately 17,500 government finance professionals with offices in Chicago, IL and Washington, DC.

Port Freeport is ranked among the Nation's top 35 ports. The Channel serves Dow Chemical, Phillips 66, BASF, Tenaris, Vulcan Material, Mammoet, Freeport Liquefied Natural Gas (FLNG), American Rice, Dole, Chiquita, Seaway, Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC) and Hoegh Autoliners.

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