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**Press Release**

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## **Owensboro Riverport Attending and Exhibiting at 95<sup>th</sup> Annual AAPA Convention**

### **For Immediate Release**

**August 30, 2006 (Owensboro, KY)** – Owensboro Riverport personnel will be attending and exhibiting at the 95<sup>th</sup> Annual American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA) Convention in New Orleans, LA on September 11-15, 2006. This year's program is based on the convention theme, "Rollin' On the River 2006 – New Orleans" and will examine interests of the public seaport community, including trade, transportation, environmental, security, and other issues related to port development and operations.

Owensboro Riverport personnel will be highlighting their facility and will be available throughout the conference to discuss opportunities for cargo handling, warehouse storage, and economic development for their riverport properties and operations located on the Ohio River. Owensboro Riverport operates a 150 acre river terminal and warehousing operation at 1771 River Road, Owensboro, KY, 42301 (Ohio River Mile 759). The Riverport also is seeking river-oriented tenants for its 92 acre Whaylon D. Coleman Terminal located at 4701 U.S. Highway 60 East, Owensboro, KY 42303 (Ohio River Mile 753).

Owensboro Riverport personnel will be located at Exhibit Booth # 211 in the Exhibition Hall at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside. Approximately 35 coastal ports, inland river terminals, governmental agencies, stevedores, freight forwarders, and other businesses associated with or supplying the port community will be exhibiting at the conference. Hours of the exhibition are scheduled to be:

Tuesday, September 12, 2006	7:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Wednesday, September, 13, 2006	7:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Thursday, September 14, 2006	7:30 AM – 1:30 PM

The 95<sup>th</sup> Annual AAPA Convention is being hosted by The Port of New Orleans. The conference is to be held at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside, Two Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA., 70140.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the following individuals:

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### **About American Association of Port Authorities**

Founded in 1912, the American Association of Port Authorities is a trade association which represents more than 150 port authorities in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and Latin America. In addition, Association members include more than 300 sustaining and associate members, firms, and individuals with an interest in the seaports of the Western Hemisphere. AAPA is dedicated to serving deep draft public ports by enhancing port management professionalism, and advocating issues critical to public seaports.

AAPA promotes the common interests of the port community, and provides leadership on trade, transportation, environmental and other issues related to port development and operations.

AAPA also works to educate the public, media, local, state and federal legislators about the essential role ports play within the global transportation system.

For further information on AAPA, please visit [www.aapa-ports.org](http://www.aapa-ports.org).

### **About The Port of New Orleans**

The Port of New Orleans is a vital economic engine for the entire nation, not only the Gulf Coast region. According to a recent study conducted by Martin Associates, more than 380,000 jobs in the United States were related to the annual cargo activity at the Port of New Orleans marine terminals, accounting for \$16.9 billion of personal income. Additionally, the Port's marine cargo activity supported \$37 billion of output in the nation and generated \$2.8 billion in federal tax revenue.

The Port's facilities include 22 million square feet of cargo handling area and more than six million square feet of covered storage area. The Port's facilities accommodate an average of 2,300 vessel calls each year. The Port's general cargo volume has averaged 11 million tons (1995-2004), with a record 14.1 million tons in 1998.

The Port of New Orleans is a diverse general cargo port, handling containerized cargo such as apparel, food products and consumer merchandise. It is among the nation's leading ports for imported steel, rubber, and coffee.

For further information on The Port on New Orleans, please visit [www.portno.com](http://www.portno.com).

### **About Owensboro Riverport**

As the premier inland riverport in the Ohio Valley, the Owensboro Riverport is the perfect choice to meet shipping needs for cargo distribution in the Midwest and Mid-South. Non-ferrous metals, ferrous metals, agricultural products, paper, bulk, breakbulk, and project cargo are among the items handled at the port. Over 325 barges were handled at the Riverport last year.

In June 1976, operations began at the Riverport with the formal opening of a river terminal dock and warehouse storage facilities at Ohio River Mile 759. The facilities now incorporate over 1 million square feet of covered space. In 2005, Owensboro Riverport expanded with the addition of the Whaylon D. Coleman Terminal, a 92 acre site located on the Ohio River, dedicated to serve as a river-oriented industrial park for tenant development.

Owensboro Riverport is the leading volume warehouse for primary and secondary aluminum in North America. Owensboro Riverport serves as a Licensed Warehouse for the London Metal Exchange and the New York Mercantile Exchange. Also, the Riverport serves as a U.S. Port of Entry and a Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ).

The Owensboro Riverport delivers innovative and reliable material handling service and warehouse storage for domestic and international shipping.

For further information on Owensboro Riverport, please visit [www.OwensboroRiverport.com](http://www.OwensboroRiverport.com).

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