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## **ST. BERNARD PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT**





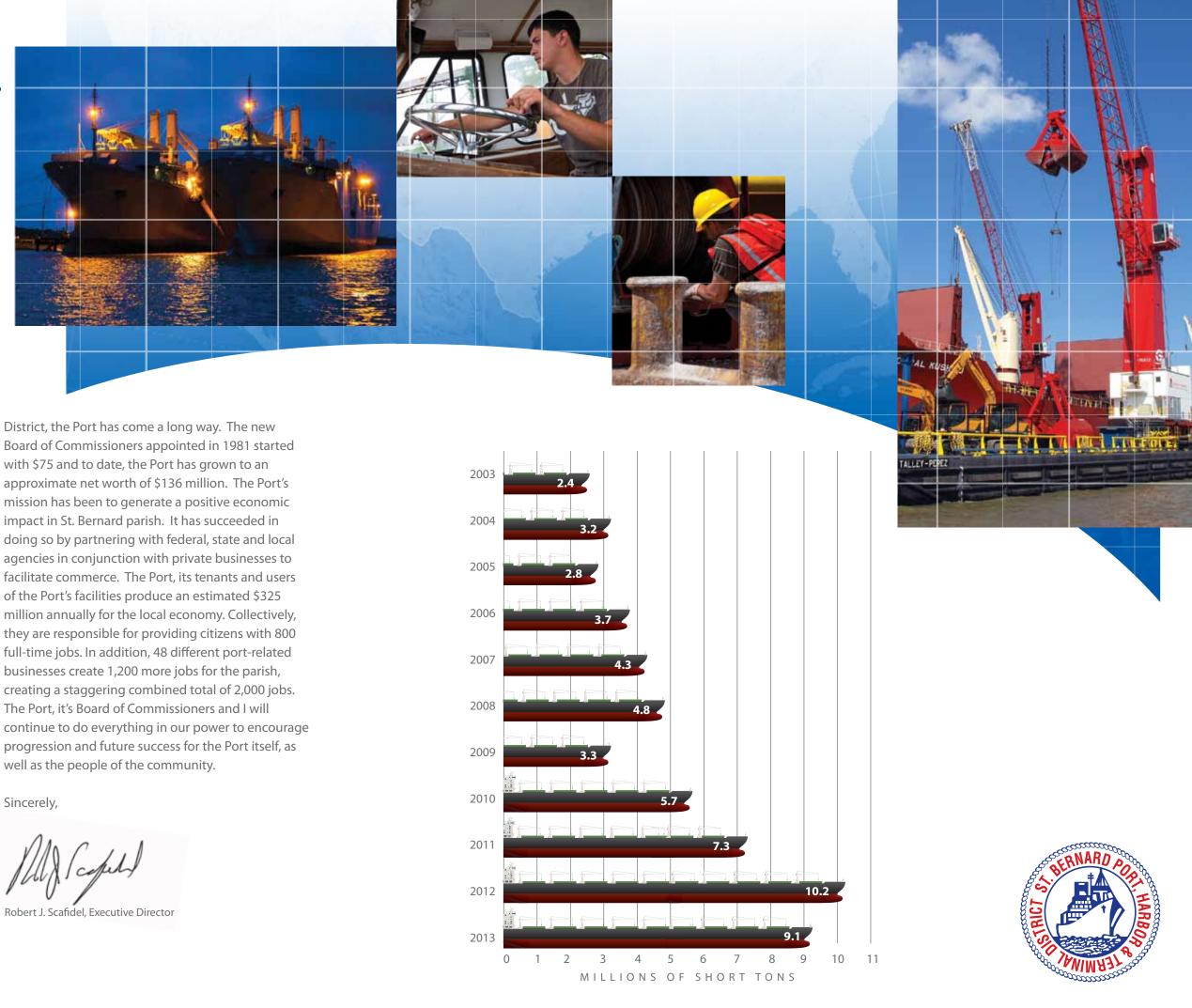






## A Message From The Executive Director



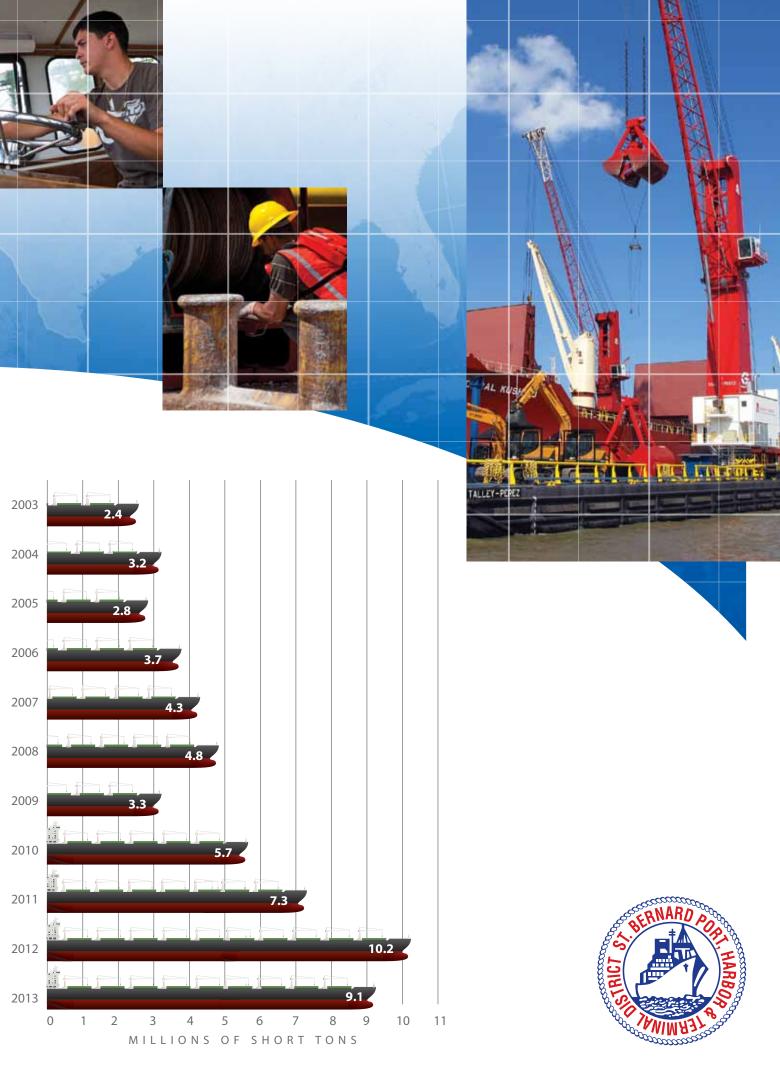


Two thousand thirteen was another outstanding year of prosperity for St. Bernard Port. Three hundred forty-three ships called on the Port and nine million tons of cargo was unloaded at the Port's facilities. This was the second highest annual tonnage ever recorded and we are on course to surpass this amount in 2014.

The future is bright and development is imminent with the addition of 4,300 linear feet of riverfront property in Violet. The Violet Terminal has four ship berths and over 36 acres of land that will be dedicated to industrial and business development. Also on the horizon, thanks to the widening of the Panama Canal, are huge ocean-going vessels carrying large cargos from the Pacific. The Port has already positioned itself to take advantage of this opportunity by installing enlarged mooring buoys in Meraux to accommodate these large 1,000-foot cape-sized vessels. Another vital addition to this year's expansion comes from Southern Forest Products, who leased 11 acres and a 10,000 square-foot warehouse to debark and ship lumber at the Port. Southern Forest Products' Industrial Park Facility is the second largest at the Chalmette Terminal.

Since its early beginnings in the 1960's, as the St. Bernard Navigable Waterway and Terminal District, and then in the early 1980's as the bustling and ever-growing St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District, the Port has come a long way. The new Board of Commissioners appointed in 1981 started with \$75 and to date, the Port has grown to an approximate net worth of \$136 million. The Port's mission has been to generate a positive economic impact in St. Bernard parish. It has succeeded in doing so by partnering with federal, state and local agencies in conjunction with private businesses to facilitate commerce. The Port, its tenants and users of the Port's facilities produce an estimated \$325 million annually for the local economy. Collectively, they are responsible for providing citizens with 800 full-time jobs. In addition, 48 different port-related businesses create 1,200 more jobs for the parish, creating a staggering combined total of 2,000 jobs. The Port, it's Board of Commissioners and I will progression and future success for the Port itself, as well as the people of the community.

Robert J. Scafidel, Executive Director







Cargo off-loaded at the Port gets shipped across the nation by barges, rail cars, and trucks.



The Port of St. Bernard is strategically located on the lower Mississippi River, the busiest shipping corridor in the world. The Port is truly multimodal. It's ideally situated at the convergence of the Mississippi River, the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway system, and the Industrial Canal, which is paramount for transporting goods by ship and barge throughout the United States. The Port's ability to distribute cargo by land is just as impressive. It's connected to the entire nation by all six Class One Railroads, as well as the presence of Interstate highways I-10, I-610 and I-510. Destinations for cargos headed to industrial plants throughout the country are as far north as St. Paul, Indianapolis, Chicago and Pittsburgh. Cargo is also transported to Missouri, Tennessee, Kentucky, Arkansas and states throughout the southeastern United States. The Port operates around the clock, 365 days a year, fueling the nation's industries and creating jobs and economic opportunity for our region.







Associated Terminals, one of the largest stevedoring companies on the lower Mississippi River, handled over 9 million tons of cargo at port-owned facilities this year. Its director, David Fennelly, was recognized in June of this year by the World Trade Center honoring him with the coveted C. Alvin Bertel Award due to his significant contributions to ports in the metro area.

America's Industrial Complex depends on these goods and raw materials being loaded and off-loaded at the Port's facilities by Associated Terminals for manufacturing. Ferro Alloys from South Africa and the Baltic Sea area are off-loaded and barged to foundries where they are made into steel which is then used to manufacture automobiles. Fertilizers, an essential piece of successful crop cultivation, are unloaded and shipped by barge and rail to farmers in Louisiana and the heartland. Barite from China is transferred to barges and shipped to plants in Morgan City, Houma and Amelia to create drilling fluid mud for our onshore and offshore oil industries. Timber logged in Louisiana and Mississippi arrives by truck and is then off-loaded and warehoused at the Arabi Terminal. The timber is then back-loaded onto ships bound for Turkey. Metallic ores, minerals, petroleum, metallurgic coke, zinc concentrates, aluminum, steel and copper products are all handled at the Port's Terminals.







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# The Port provides more than 2,000 jobs in St. Bernard Parish.

The state-of-the-art Maritime Security **Operations Center makes the Port one** of the nation's most secure.



St. Bernard Port has grown to become an economic powerhouse for the Parish. The Port provides 18% of the jobs in St. Bernard. There are over 800 full-time employees at the Arabi and Chalmette Terminals. There are 48 different businesses located at the Port. These businesses create an additional 1,200 jobs linked to the Port's lessee-related activities. Every year the Port, its tenants, and users of port facilities are placing an estimated \$325 million into the local economy. Beyond location and infrastructure, St. Bernard Port's success is directly attributable to the continued efforts of the 800-plus full-time workers that are employed by the Port and it's tenants. These individuals include elected officials, board members, administrators, accountants, support staff, security personnel, maintenance crews, marine captains, deckhands, mechanics, electricians, engineers, railroad engineers, truck drivers, welders, stevedores, warehouse staff, tank cleaners and many others. Through their hard work, they are building a better life and future for themselves, their families and their community.



Maintenance Staff left to right: Jason LaFontainem, Louis Lagman, Ryan Fayard, Brian Newman, Shane Espongem, Heath Ragas, Mark Anselmo, Corey Longo, John Ducoing. Not shown:, Charles Dewint, Wilford Douglas



Administration Staff left to right: Karen Boniol, Donna Landwehr, Denise Kraesig, Joelle Michel, Sonya Maas

Now, more than ever, Port security is top priority. Headquartered in the Administrative Complex, Maritime Security Operation Center (MSOC) is equipped with the most sophisticated surveillance and monitoring technology available today. An experienced team of security professionals work 24/7 with national, state and local law enforcement to maintain safety.





Security Staff left to right: Joseph Roberts, Sabrina Culotta, Angela Nunez, Trenell Aisola, Martin Nunez, Jude Robin, Rebecca Straub, Stanley Moley, Debra Terminie, Richard Pecot, Melissa Adams, Inez Dalon. Not shown: Ronald Nunez, Frances Smith, Lance Whiting, Thomas Fayard

