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PORT FREEPORT APPOINTS PUBLIC AFFAIRS MANAGER

FREEPORT, TX (October 2, 2020) – Port Freeport has named Jessica Effenberger Follett as Public Affairs Manager, responsible for managing community and local government relations. A Brazoria County native, Follett joins Port Freeport this fall bringing extensive government relations and communications expertise.

“Port Freeport is pleased to welcome Jessica to our organization. She has an accomplished background in communications, media relations, community relations, and government relations which gives her an excellent advantage in this position,” stated Phyllis Saathoff, Executive Director/CEO.

Follett has nine years of state government relations and communications experience, having worked for two members of the Texas House of Representatives including, most recently, as District Affairs Coordinator for the Speaker of the Texas House, as well as an international governmental affairs and communications consulting firm.

Follett holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English-Creative Writing from Texas A&M University and is a graduate of Sweeny High School.

Port Freeport is a leading port in the export of crude oil and natural gas liquids and ranked 6th in chemicals, 17th in foreign waterborne tonnage, and 26th in containers. A 2019 Economic Impact Study by Texas A&M Transportation Institute revealed that, nationally, the Freeport Harbor Channel generates 279,780 jobs and has a total economic output of \$149 billion. The Freeport Harbor Channel serves BASF, Chiquita Fresh N.A., CMA CGM, Dole Fresh Fruit, The Dow Chemical Company, Freeport LNG, Glovis, Grimaldi Lines, Hoegh Autoliners, Horizon Auto Logistics, Liberty Global Logistics, Wallenius Wilhelmsen Ocean, Mammoet, Phillips 66, Riviana Foods, Inc., Sallaum Lines, Seaway Crude Pipeline Company, Tenaris, and Vulcan Materials Company.

Port Freeport is committed to keeping the local community informed of our operations and results. If you have questions or comments about this announcement, please email or call Jessica Follett, Public Affairs Manager.

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