NATCHITOCHES PARISH PORT COMMISSION September 20, 2021, Regular Meeting

Present were Nettles Brown, William Allen, Ralph Ingram and K. David Zachary, Commissioners. Absent was Dan Simmons. Also, present were Travis Tyler, Executive Director of the Port and Mark A. Begnaud of McCoy Roberts & Begnaud, Ltd., legal counsel to the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Zachary, and duly carried to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2021, Commission meeting.

As part of the Director's Activity Report, Mr. Tyler reported: 1) over 350,000 tons of material have moved through the Port year to date (through August); 2) Madden has received three (3) trains this month; 3) ADA remains active; 4) the warehouse is almost full of pelletized carbon; 5) Custom Commodities remains busy and could see a demand for addition product; and 6) Kisatchie Chips has a new manager and remains active.

Also, as part of the Director's Report, Mr. Tyler reported: 1) he had a follow up meeting with representatives of Project Green, who are planning an additional site visit to the Port; 2) representatives for Project Milton remain in contact with the Port and believe the project will be fully funded by the end of the year; 3) a prospect is interested in a small portion of the warehouse and is willing to work with ADA; 4) there has been no follow up from any additional prospects; 5) the Port is also working on a potential project related to shipping organic soybeans; and 6) timber and grain companies continue to show interest and continue to work on logistics.

After the Commissioners reviewed the August 2021 Treasurer's Report, a motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Allen and duly carried to accept the report, a copy of which was available for review.

In Old Business, Mr. Tyler reported the following regarding capital improvements: 1) he

met with the National Guard when they were here doing the feasibility study to construct a levee around the Northport site; 2) he met with an environmental company regarding wetland delineation; and 3) he met with the Corps of Engineers regarding revetment issues. The Corps is working on options to fix the issues.

Also in Old Business, Mr. Tyler reported the following: 1) the Northport expansion is on hold until determinations are made regarding projects; 2) he continues to review insurance policies for the Port; 3) he contacted several companies regarding Terral's truck scales and continues to wait for an appraisal.

Also in New Business, a motion was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Ingram and duly passed authorizing a Resolution to Approve Execution of Short Term Lease with KNH Trucking & Contracting, LLC.

A motion was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Ingram, and after a unanimous roll call vote, the Board entered executive session to discuss litigation matters.

After exiting executive session, a motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Allen and duly carried that the meeting be adjourned.