**THE PORT OF MILWAUKEE**

**2013 ANNUAL REPORT**

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**PORT TENANTS:**
- Cargill Salt Incorporated
- Discovery World at Pier Wisconsin
- Federal Marine Terminals, Incorporated
- Great Lakes Towing
- Harbor House Restaurant
- IFI Tanco
- Lafarge Corporation
- Kinder Morgan aka: Milwaukee Bulk Terminals, Inc.
- KM Transload
- Lake Express
- Michels Corp.
- Milwaukee Art Museum
- Milwaukee World Festivals
- North American Salt Co.
- Portland Trucking
- South Harbor
- Shea Kenny Construction
- St. Mary’s Cement
- U.S. Coast Guard
- U.S. Navy
- Walsh Construction
- Ward Welding

The “Ocean Crescent,” a U.S. Flag owned and operated vessel, came into the Port of Milwaukee to load a Joy Global mining shovel destined for the West Coast of Mexico. The vessel travelled through the St. Lawrence Seaway locks and the Panama Canal locks to reach its destination. (June 28, 2013)

**Federal Kivalina, New Glarus beer vats**

Transformer/heavy lift transloaded from the VIRGINABORG to a Basic Marine dock barge for a Michigan destination. Logistics were organized by Vince Shu of Ceres Consulting.
A Message from Mayor Tom Barrett:

As 2013 came to a close, the Port began to speed up. Salt shipments delivered through the Port of Milwaukee were the second highest ever. One ship of salt delivered to the Port is the equivalent of about 1,230 truckloads. Customers of the Port transport local grain and heavy machinery for export. Fertilizers, steel products, limestone, ethanol, biodiesel, coal and cement also move through the Port cost effectively and efficiently.

With millions of tons of products moving through the Port each year, the overall costs of raw commodities tends to be lower for our local consumers. Our commitment to this vital transportation mode is reflected in the infrastructure improvements during 2013. A rail gantry crane along the mooring basin has a new boom extending its life another 20 years. We began a five year plan for rail improvements and upgrades which will allow commodities to travel faster and safer. And every road on the Port property was resurfaced making the thousands and thousands of truck trips through the Port safer. Interstate I-794 and the Hoan Bridge reconstruction also began in 2013, ensuring direct access to the port for decades to come.

This past year I was proud to welcome the new Administrator of the St. Lawrence Seaway, Betty Sutton for a visit to the Port. I look forward to working with Administrator Sutton on mutual interests relating to the Port and collaborating on legislation that will protect the port and our most valuable natural resource, Lake Michigan.

Domestic and International trade creates great economic advantages to our community. The Board of Harbor Commissioners, the Common Council and I are committed to public access to our lakefront, and the Port balances its commercial activity with recreational property that includes the Summerfest grounds, Pier Wisconsin and the Art Museum’s lakefront public grounds to ensure that access.

The Port is also home to some of our finest. The U.S. Coast Guard Sector Lake Michigan and the U.S. Navy are all within the Port facilities.

This Port is part of a global transportation system that keeps our economy going – moving products, moving people, and making sure business have the best transportation options available. Our facilities are ideally located to serve customers in the heart of America, and we are positioned to continue to add to the region’s economy for many generations to come.

Sincerely,

Tom Barrett
Mayor

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A Message from Mayor Tom Barrett:

The Port is also home to some of our finest. The U.S. Coast Guard is conducting maintenance on the historic vessel the USS Chal- linger, and is scheduled to return the vessel to the Port for public display. The Challenger turned 107 years old in 2013, and was the oldest operating vessel on the Great Lakes. Bay Shipbuilding in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin is preserving portions of the vessel as they convert her into a barge, so they can be displayed in maritime museums.

Kohler Generators used the Port of Milwaukee as a backdrop and Midwest Maritime’s own Tim Koss for their latest “Workboat Warriors” ad campaign.

Check it out here:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I1kxlm2c8a5g&feature=share

The video starts with “Here’s to the river kings, the mountain movers, the doers. You know who you are, and we know you. We’re KOHLER Marine.”
In addition to promoting shipping and commerce, the Port of Milwaukee is the Grantee of Foreign Trade Zone #41 which offers economic benefits to companies involved in international trade. FTZ #41 encompasses 12 counties in Southeastern Wisconsin: Milwaukee; Rock, Walworth, Kenosha, Racine; Waukesha; Jefferson; Dodge; Fond du Lac; Sheboygan; Washington and Ozaukee counties.

**2013 FTZ #41 OPERATORS:**
- Broan Nutone
- Sigma-Aldrich
- Bentley World Packaging
  (general purpose FTZ warehouse)
- Hospira, LLC
- Generac
- Mercury, LLC
- CNH Industrial Americas

**RECOGNITION OF SERVICE:**
After 16 Years of Dedicated Service Commissioner Kristine Martinsek resigned as a Board of Harbor Commissioner, but she didn’t go far. Kris moves on as a board member of the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District located on the north end of Jones Island.

Commissioner Tina Chang resigned her commission in 2013. Tina served from February 11, 2003 to December 13, 2012 as a Board of Harbor Commissioner.

Two new Commissioners were sworn in: Kathleen M. Smith and Attorney Diane S. Diel

**TENTANT STAFF CHANGES:**
We said goodbye to Brian LaRue, General Manager at Federal Marine Terminals - Milwaukee and welcomed the promotion of Luke Kvapil, as their new GM. We said good bye to Bradley Gilliet, General Manager of Kinder Morgan Bulk Terminals and welcomed William Baines as his replacement. Long time Manager of North American Salt, Kathy Ruiz, retired.

**THE PORT ADMINISTRATION WELCOMED A NEW CRANE OPERATOR, JOHN DERMEYER** and said farewell to Carmelo Cordero, of the Port Operations Team, and Jason Stenglein of the Marketing Team.

**SPECIAL MENTION:**
Many of the pictures in this Annual Report were taken by a local photographer, Bill Bedell. Bill has given the Port many pictures over the years, always free of charge. Taking pictures of the Port was a passion of his and he enjoyed sharing them. Bill was a lifelong employee of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Bill passed away on January 29, 2014 at the age of 64.

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