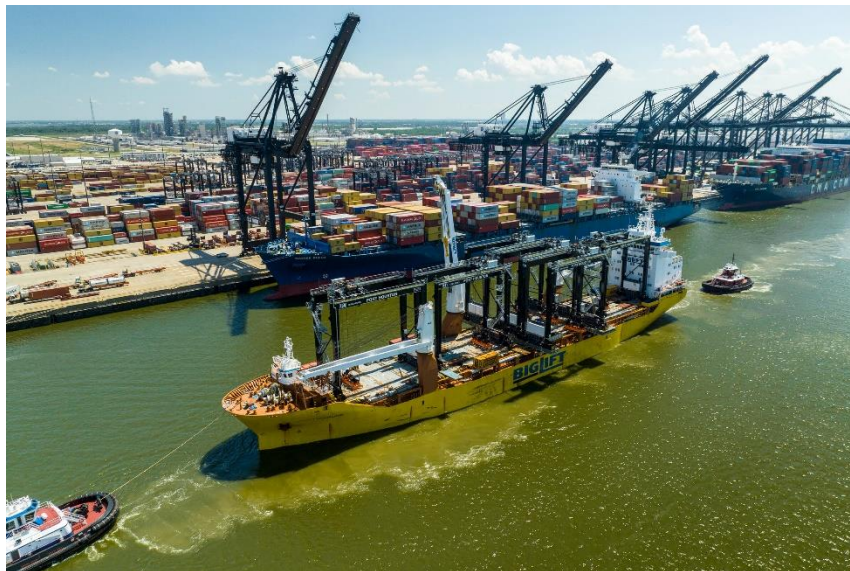




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Port Houston Welcomes Arrival of Hybrid-Electric Cranes Part of carbon neutrality by 2050 goal



New RTGs delivered to Bayport Container Terminal

HOUSTON—Port Houston is proud to announce the arrival of six hybrid-electric rubber-tired gantry (RTG) cranes, marking a significant milestone in its commitment to sustainability and operational efficiency. Including this most-recent delivery, the Port has acquired 26 new RTGs since December 2023, which have been deployed across its Barbour's Cut and Bayport Container Terminals. The most recent delivery of these state-of-the-art cranes is the fourth of five total deliveries that the Port will receive this year, highlighting Port Houston's dedication to reducing its environmental footprint while enhancing its functional capabilities.

The acquisition of these hybrid-electric RTGs represents another step toward Port Houston's goal of carbon neutrality by 2050. Unlike conventional diesel-powered cranes, these hybrid models significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions, noise pollution, and fuel consumption. In fact, compared to diesel models, these RTG cranes reduce NO_x, PM, HC, and CO emissions by 90%. By incorporating advanced

hybrid technology, these RTG cranes deliver the operational efficiency and versatility of supplied battery power, coupled with the dependable performance of diesel, all while significantly reducing their environmental footprint.

“We are excited to add these hybrid-electric RTGs to our fleet. This investment demonstrates our commitment to sustainable growth and our leadership in the maritime industry’s shift toward greener equipment,” said Roger Guenther, Executive Director at Port Houston. “As we integrate advanced technology into our operations alongside our dedicated staff, stevedores, and ILA labor, we are not only improving efficiency but also contributing to a healthier environment for our community.”

An additional batch of RTGs is expected to arrive by the fourth quarter of this year. By the end of this year, 57 of our total 147 RTG cranes across both container terminals will be hybrid-electric.

About Port Houston

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