



PORT HOUSTON

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Port Houston Statement
USMX-ILA Possible Work Stoppage

Houston, Texas – Port Houston is not involved in the contract negotiations or discussions concerning the USMX—ILA master contract, which is scheduled to expire at midnight on Monday, September 30. However, we are monitoring the situation closely. In the days leading up to September 30, we expect normal business operations at our public terminals.

If parties fail to reach an agreement, a potential strike could impact operations at the Barbours Cut and Bayport Container Terminals starting on Tuesday, October 1.

In the event of a work stoppage, Barbours Cut and Bayport Container Terminals will be closed for all container handling operations. However, the container terminals will receive export cargo through September 30, and we plan to work vessels and gates until 7 p.m.

During a strike at our container terminals, we will continue with maintenance and provide other support services to our customers. Following the work stoppage, operations will resume at our container terminals, and we will consider extended gate hours to ensure a quick and smooth recovery for everyone.

Work at Port Houston’s general cargo/multipurpose facilities, known as City Docks or the Turning Basin Terminal, will not be disrupted during the work stoppage.

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