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Port Houston Disparity Study Results Statement

HOUSTON – In 2019, Port Houston commissioned Griffin & Strong, P.C. to conduct a comprehensive independent contracting Disparity Study. The study has concluded, and disparities were identified. We will use the knowledge gained from this study to help build upon the legacy of Port Houston as the region’s economic engine providing jobs and prosperity for all. We are committed to taking meaningful action to help ensure that our procurement and contracting programs are enhanced, and to put in place measures to increase the participation of small-, minority-, and women-owned businesses. Port Houston believes in diversity and inclusion for all, and we will engage the community through a transparent process for change and improvement, as together we strive to reflect the region that we serve and provide more opportunities for growth and economic prosperity.

About Port Houston

For more than 100 years, Port Houston has owned and operated the public wharves and terminals of the greater Port of Houston – the nation’s largest port for the foreign waterborne tonnage and an essential economic engine for the Houston region, the state of Texas, and the nation. The Port of Houston supports the creation of nearly 1.35 million jobs in Texas and 3.2 million jobs across the nation, and economic activity totaling \$339 billion in Texas – 20.6 % of the Texas total gross domestic product (GDP) – and a total of \$801.9 billion in U.S. economic impact. For more information, visit the website at <https://porthouston.com/>.

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