



Special Project Cargo

CAN DO!

The Tower Scrubber, measuring 55.8 ft. in length is unloaded from *m/v BBC Europe* at the Port for delivery to a Trainer, Penn. oil refinery.

In the past few years, the Port of Wilmington has handled special project cargoes; cargo that is high value, oversized, heavy and often requires specialized discharge and distribution services.


Manufacturers of turbine blades, transformers, generators, and related equipment used in the power generation industry, have been attracted to Wilmington in recent years because of its deepwater berths, experience in handling project shipments, its rail service and convenient highway connections for easy distribution. But that's not the only special project cargo calling at the Port these days.

Most recently, logistics and project forwarding agent Rohde & Liesenfeld (R&L) Group directed the *m/v BBC Europe*, a specially built heavy lift ship, to discharge its cargo of a Thailand manufactured scrubber assembly at the Port of Wilmington. This scrubber unit was ultimately destined for an oil refinery in nearby Trainer, Penn., less than 10 miles from the Port of Wilmington, as part of its clean air installation.

This project shipment consisted 29 pieces, with the largest—the scrubber support column—measuring 55.8 ft.

in length, 4.8 ft. in width, 4.6 ft. in height and weighing 22,000 lbs. It was discharged by ship's gear and loaded onto a specially configured trailer for delivery by truck.

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) and the Delaware State Police escorted the trucks carrying this project cargo

and provided it with the necessary accommodations for a safe, efficient and damage-free movement from the Port to its immediately accessible interstate highway connections. Again, the “port of personal service” shows its expertise and “can do” spirit in handling such technically demanding and unusual cargo. 



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