

PORT OF WILMINGTON IS A C-TPAT CERTIFIED PARTNER

U.S. Customs and Borders Protection (CBP) has recently recognized the Port of Wilmington, Delaware as a certified member of the Customs -Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT). C-TPAT is an internal, self-policing, user-tailored program designed to enhance the security of the supply chain from the farm or factory to the consumer market, thus contributing to safe, free flow of international trade.

“We are very proud of this accomplishment, and of our commitment to the operational mission of CBP and to our customers to be vigilant and conscientious in the war against terrorism and in safeguarding cargoes passing over dock and through our terminal”, explained Gene Bailey, DSPC’s Executive Director. “Working together with our partners in the C-TPAT organization we can facilitate the quick and efficient distribution of cargo after it is discharged”, he added.

In order to qualify for C-TPAT certification, DSPC developed security procedures and guidelines that addressed the following areas: procedural and personnel security, staff education and training, access controls, and manifest procedures. “As a leader in port security we designed and implemented a comprehensive program addressing C-TPAT requirements, and agreed to ongoing security inspections by CBP”, said William Boles, DSPC Security Manager, and the coordinator of the C-TPAT program at the Port.

In addition to the C-TPAT certification, the Port has been designated as a pilot site for the ongoing development of a nationwide industry identification card – the Transportation Worker

Identification Credential (TWIC). The timely submission of the Port’s security plan to the U.S. Coast Guard and employing the Port’s \$2.1 million TSA grant to enhance


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