

Delaware Steel Company

TO ERECT NEW WTC Building

Steel Imported Through the Port of Wilmington



Helmark Steel Company in Wilmington, Delaware, was awarded the contract to supply the steel framework for 7 World Trade Center, the first building to be reconstructed at New York City's Ground Zero after the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks that caused its collapse. Steel from the U.K. will be imported to the U.S. through the Port of Wilmington for fabrication at Helmark's 20-acre facility on Market Street in Wilmington.

About 4,500 tons of structural steel shipped in August from the Corus Teesside Beam Mill in the U.K. arrived in Wilmington aboard the M/V Swan. "The Port of Wilmington offers convenient access to major highway systems so that cargo can move quickly from dockside to its final destination,"

said John O'Brien, President of Helmark Steel Company.

Helmark's close proximity to the Port is ideal for this project since the steel can be shipped directly to Wilmington, fabricated, then trucked to New York, just two hours north of Wilmington via interstate highway I-95. Helmark's sister company, Falcon Steel, will handle foundation erection at the job site.

Helmark will import about 12,000 tons of structural steel for the project before the 50-story building is finished. It's slated for completion in August or September 2004.

The plan for the new World Trade Center in New York was designed by world-renowned architect

Daniel Libeskind, of Studio Daniel Libeskind, located in Berlin, Germany. The design, titled "Memory Foundations," was one of 406 designs submitted from around the globe for consideration by a committee with representatives from the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. The Port Authority owns the World Trade Center site.

Construction contracts for the other new World Trade Center buildings have not yet been put out for bid, but Helmark hopes to play a role in rebuilding those, too. "Continued involvement with subsequent phases of the World Trade Center project would benefit both Helmark and the Port of Wilmington," O'Brien said.

Helmark has been involved with numerous high-profile commercial projects, including the Olympic Stadium in Atlanta, the Borgata Casino in Atlantic City, the Kimmel Center in Philadelphia, and 5 Times Square in New York City.

"Supplying prestigious projects, which requires precise, on-time, and complete delivery, is an area where Corus has great expertise," said Corus Sales Manager Peter Gate. He added, "It's a real team effort, involving logistics, manufacturing, technical expertise, and shipping to make sure the order goes according to plan."