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PRESS RELEASE

Pennsylvania Governor Tom Corbett and Philadelphia Mayor Michael A. Nutter Welcome the American Institute for International Steel to Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, PA – On September 27, 2011, Pennsylvania Governor Tom Corbett and Philadelphia Mayor Michael A. Nutter provided opening remarks for the 2011 American Institute for International Steel (AIIS) Delaware Region Customs and Logistics Conference. The Conference venue was the Independence Seaport Museum at Penn's Landing.

Governor Corbett and Mayor Nutter spoke to the significance of steel trade, economic development and job creation, infrastructure improvement, and the criticality of deepening the Delaware River to 45'.

In addition to remarks made today in support of the 45' Project, Governor Corbett last week announced that the State of Pennsylvania would immediately release \$15 million to dredge the next four-to five mile stretch of the river from just north of the Delaware Memorial Bridge to Pedricktown, N.J.

Mayor Nutter today also declared his administration's support for the 45' Main Channel Deepening Project, a comment that drew applause from Conference attendees.



Philadelphia Mayor Michael A. Nutter and Pennsylvania Governor Tom Corbett take a quick break from the AIIS conference to enjoy the sailing of the DANMARK (visible in the background), a Denmark training vessel that has been docked at Penn's Landing for public tours since September 23.

The Maritime Exchange for the Delaware River and Bay is a non-profit trade association representing the interests of approximately 280 port and related businesses from the tri state region of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware. As the premier advocate for the Delaware River port community, the Exchange works to provide a unique slant on local, state, and national issues affecting the maritime industry. In addition, the Exchange operates a comprehensive port automation network that provides its members with 24-hour a day, 365-day a year electronic ship and cargo information.

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