



## **Nautilus International/Metro Breaks Ground on New, Environmentally Friendly Headquarters in Long Beach**

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LONG BEACH, Calif.—With the Chairman of the Board at the hands of a large backhoe machine, Nautilus International Holding Corp. and its Metro subsidiaries today broke ground on its new headquarters before an audience that included Mayor Robert Garcia, Port of Long Beach officials, community leaders and other dignitaries.

The future headquarters for Nautilus and its subsidiaries—Metro Ports, Metro Cruise Services, Metro Shore Services and Metro Risk Management—will continue the more than 90-year prosperous journey for a suite of companies known internationally as leaders in stevedoring, terminal operations, logistics, risk management and more.

“Our long and rich association with the City and Port of Long Beach is literally going to be written in stone by moving our headquarters here,” James R. Callahan, Nautilus Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, said before he broke ground on the new facility by scooping dirt with a backhoe. “Our team of professionals can’t wait to be in this very modern, business friendly and environmentally advanced location.”

Nautilus/Metro, which recently signed a 20-year agreement with the Port of Long Beach for continued bulk cargo operations, is moving its headquarters from its current location in Wilmington to a 40,000-square-foot building on 2.57 acres in Douglas Park near the Long Beach Airport. When completed, the new building will be LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified. The 168-space carport structure will include 10 electric vehicle charging stations and will be covered by solar panels providing power to the new building.

“Long Beach has known and respected Nautilus and Metro Ports for decades, so we are thrilled they are making their home in the International City,” said Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia. “Attracting a leader in marine cargo services further cements our city’s reputation as the gateway to the nation’s economy. We look forward to many more decades of growth at Nautilus and Metro Ports.”

The current staff of approximately 70 full-time employees in Wilmington will transfer to the new headquarters, which will have a capacity for more than 120 employees. Worldwide, Nautilus/Metro has 30 operations in the United States and two countries.

“Our new headquarters represents a new chapter for Nautilus and Metro,” said COO Michael F. Giove. “Not only will we be closer to our Port of Long Beach operations, but this move also represents our continued leadership in the stevedoring and port service industry. We are continuing a proud tradition of strategic, sustained growth.”

“We welcome Nautilus/Metro as a valued partner to our community and as a great addition to the exciting growth taking place in Douglas Park and across the city”, said Long Beach Fifth District Councilwoman Stacy Mungo. “The company’s decision to relocate to Long Beach exemplifies our leadership in supporting businesses and growing our local economy.”

The building developer is Long Beach-based Urbana Development, LLC. DRA Architects is the architect on the project.

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**Nautilus International Holding Corp.** maintains oversight of various subsidiary companies concentrating in stevedoring, terminal operations, agency, logistics and risk management. The companies of Nautilus International Holding Corp. excel in providing outstanding services to various market segments. These subsidiaries include Metro Ports, a contract stevedoring and marine terminal operator specializing in dry and wet bulk materials, breakbulk cargoes, forest products, wind energy, and a variety of other marine cargoes; Metro Cruise Services LLC and Metro Shore Services LLC, which jointly provide a full suite of services to the passenger cruise industry; and Metro Risk Management LLC, which specializes in claims administration and other risk management services. For more information, please visit: [www.nautilusintl.com](http://www.nautilusintl.com), [www.metroports.com](http://www.metroports.com), [www.metrocruiseservices.com](http://www.metrocruiseservices.com), [www.metroform.com](http://www.metroform.com).

**Metro Ports / Metropolitan Stevedore Co.** was established in 1923 in Southern California and has business roots dating back to the 1850s Gold Rush era through its original San Francisco parent corporation, California Stevedore and Ballast Co. Through the years, Metropolitan Stevedore Co. became known as Metro. So, in 2008 the decision was made to use Metro Ports as the new brand for the various key operating companies held by Nautilus International Holding Corp. Those key companies included Metropolitan Stevedore Co., Southeast Crescent Shipping Co., Suderman Contracting Stevedores, Inc., Southeast Maritime Services LLC (which holds the Savannah International Terminal), and Metro Ports Canada Ltd.

**Douglas Park** is a new master planned, mixed-use business environment located in Long Beach, Calif. Positioned in a unique business park atmosphere, it features high-quality office, retail and hotel components. It is situated on approximately 161 acres located at the convergence of commerce from Los Angeles and Orange County. It is directly accessible from the I-405, I-605 and I-710 freeways and is adjacent to the Long Beach Airport.

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