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Port of Galveston Expected to Reopen Today

Galveston, Texas...September 26, 2005...The Port of Galveston is presently waiting confirmation from the U.S. Coast Guard, which is anticipated later today, that the Galveston Channel has been reopened so that vessel traffic can resume. With Hurricane Rita lessening in strength and veering to the east, the Port of Galveston sustained what is believed to be only minor damage to its facilities.

Currently, Carnival Cruise Lines' *Conquest* and *Elation* will arrive in port on Tuesday, September 27, 2005 to disembark and embark passengers.

Royal Caribbean International's *Rhapsody of the Seas* will arrive in port on Wednesday, September 28, 2005 to disembark and embark passengers.

Passengers are strongly urged to contact your cruise line or access www.carnival.com or www.rccl.com (Royal Caribbean) for the latest information.

Other terminal operations including Agriliance LLC, ADM Farmland, Del Monte Fresh Produce, K-Line Americas, Wallenius Wilhelmsen Lines and Gulf Copper Manufacturing Shipyard are expected to return to operational status upon clearance from the Coast Guard.

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