

## **Renovations Completed at Cruise Terminal No.2**

The Port of Galveston continues its ambitious cruise terminal expansion program started in 2000. In August 2005, Phase 2 improvements totaling approximately \$11.2 million were completed at Cruise Terminal 2.

The improvements include additional pier and apron decking, moorings, fenders, and a state-of-the-art passenger loading bridge, all designed to fully accommodate Vision-Class ships, and ships of similar size, with the ability to expand with a passenger loading bridge extension in the future to handle Eagle/Voyager-Class sized ships.

Improvements to the terminal building involved construction of a new 6,400 square foot atrium leading to the passenger loading bridge, and renovations to the terminal interior, including updated restrooms, meeting and waiting areas, crew telephone facilities and 7,000 square feet of updated and expanded baggage check-in and baggage claim areas to meet current U.S. Customs and Border Protection inspection and security requirements. The terminal building was completely insulated to reduce energy costs and architectural improvements were made to enhance the terminal building exterior.

Work is underway to improve traffic circulation and provide larger staging areas for shuttle buses, taxi cabs and tour coaches at Cruise Ship Terminal 1.