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## Opportunities abound at the VPC

The VPC offers ready to move in properties as well as customizing to meet your company's specific needs.



The Venice Port Complex Report will be published three times a year. If you have any updates or news that you would like to contribute, please contact George Pivach II at 504-392-1830 or [gpiovich@veniceportcomplex.com](mailto:gpiovich@veniceportcomplex.com) [www.veniceportcomplex.com](http://www.veniceportcomplex.com)



## VPC OPPORTUNITIES

We've had a busy summer at the Venice Port Complex, with companies growing and progress continuing on road and dredging improvements.

Couvillion Group, LLC; Tetra Tech; Deep South Oilfield Construction, LLC; and Energy XXI GOM, LLC have all expanded over the last few months, leasing additional space at the VPC to handle increased business. Meanwhile, Athena Construction has leased and moved onto site 49, beginning operations from this waterfront site along Canal #2 and Coast Guard Road.

Speaking of Coast Guard Road, plans are underway to raise it to +3 MSL with an anticipated completion in the first quarter of 2015. This comes on the heels of raising Tidewater Road to +5 MSL from Coast Guard Road to the Targa entrance, a project that was completed this May. Additionally, last month we saw the completion of the maintenance dredging of Baptiste Collette Bayou.

With a new season come new opportunities, such as several deep water sites the VPC currently has available for lease.

Site 37B measures 400 linear feet along Tiger Pass and 200 linear feet along Canal #2. The bulkhead frontage has a water depth capability of -22' MSL along Tiger Pass and a water depth capability of -16' MSL along Canal #2. Site 60 has a water frontage of 580 linear feet along Tiger Pass, which is capable of a water depth of -25' MSL. Both sites are available for immediate lease.

Then there are 38 acres located at the

terminus of Halliburton Road, consisting of sites 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14A. Sites 12, 13 and 14A have a water depth capability at the dock site of -18' MSL. Plans are on the way to redevelop sites 7 through 11 to provide for a water depth of -22' MSL for deep water activity.

The Venice Port Complex also has multiple sites of undeveloped property that can be developed to handle water depths of -25' MSL. A prime example is a 2,000-linear-foot tract located next to site 60 along Tiger Pass, which can be designed and developed for a water depth of -25' MSL in less than 12 months.

Mooring sites are also available along Tiger Pass and Grand Pass with water depth capabilities of 10 to 25 feet. These mooring sites provide an excellent safe harbor for deep draft vessels. Check out our website at [www.veniceportcomplex.com](http://www.veniceportcomplex.com) for available sites.

On a separate note, the new 44,000-square-foot Plaquemines Medical Center located in Port Sulphur, less than 30 minutes from the VPC, is complete and operational. Read more about this state-of-the-art medical center inside our newsletter.

We at the VPC hope you enjoy the final days of summer.

George Pivach II  
Venice Port Complex Vice President  
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## INDUSTRY UPDATES

### Environmental Operators, LLC

Environmental Operators, LLC continues to provide quality, comprehensive non-hazardous solid waste collection, management, disposal and scrap metal recycling to a wide variety of businesses within the Venice Port Complex and surrounding communities since 1986.

In terms of the VPC, having a waste hauler and a permitted industrial and municipal landfill within the VPC offers exceptional advantages over other port locations. All waste hauled and disposed of by Environmental Operators remains within the VPC, thus minimizing environmental risks to our customers by not hauling wastes long distances to other disposal sites. The proximity and location of the landfill allows for quicker response times and a significant reduction of hauling wastes through traffic sensitive areas of Plaquemines Parish.



### Whitetail Oilfield Services, LLC

Whitetail Oilfield Services, LLC was established in 2002 by owners Tim Wiemann and Benny Fick with a customer focus on land, inland marine and offshore oilfield construction. The main office and fabrication shop is located in Houma, La., and our Venice Port location is 290 McDermott Road.

Our equipment fleet consists of tug boats, spud barges, pontoons, outboard vessels, cranes, excavators, dozers, skid loaders, backhoe-loaders, forklifts, pile driving equipment, pipe laying equipment as well as other construction, sandblasting and painting equipment.

We provide the following services to our customers: welding and fabrication; pile driving; bulkheads; rock pads for production barges; dirt and rock work; rig locations; compressor installations; hook-ups; flow lines; pipeline installation, maintenance and cleaning; pigging operations; dredging; 24-hour dock service; keyways and demolition. If your specific need is not addressed, we will be glad to review your job scope and provide a customized work plan. We provide T & M, day rate or lump sum work.

The Whitetail team takes utmost care and pride in our safety program. Our current .86 experience rating



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This advantage is allowing the VPC to dredge Slip #2 for the first time in many years. Environmental Operators is finalizing plans with the VPC and Rene Cross Construction, Inc. for the dredging of Slip #2 to accommodate deeper draft vessels' access into the VPC. The dredged material will be pumped directly into one of CGRSL's future waste disposal cells for storage. Just another way Environmental Operators is serving our VPC customers.

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### Plaquemines Medical Center Opens in Port Sulphur



*Photo courtesy of Plaquemines Gazette*

The Venice Port Complex may be at the "End of the Road," but now businesses and industry utilizing the complex won't have to go out of parish for cutting-edge and life-saving medical care. It will be just "up the road" at the new Plaquemines Medical Center. The 44,000-square-foot facility in Port Sulphur is set to open its doors to patients in mid to late September.

When the old PMC was destroyed by Hurricane Katrina floodwaters in 2005, the Hospital Service District #1 Board pushed to not only rebuild but add more advanced technology and build in a more accessible location on Highway 23 in Port Sulphur. The new center also features a rooftop Heliport, a digital X-Ray machine, a CAT scan machine that takes images equal to an MRI to aid in detection of strokes and other ailments, a trauma center and extensive diagnostic services.

The new facility also houses a full service pharmacy, a dental suite, eye and hearing exams, physical therapy, hospital grade lab services and primary care facilities all raised 26 feet above the ground.

"Not only have we added more life-saving technology, but we've created a storm-secure facility that will allow us to use this technology to take care of the community during times of crisis," says PMC Board President Jimmy Cappiello. "This facility has also been designed to become a command center during a storm or crisis, and that's important for keeping the lines of communication and life-saving operations open throughout the parish."

With the important oil & gas industry in mind, an industry-standard decontamination unit was added to the new PMC and expanded Occupational Medicine/OSHA services to work with business and industry. PMC currently has numerous contracts with companies in

the seafood and oil and gas industries to provide Coast Guard and DOT drug screenings and physicals. In addition, many of the staff physicians are now trained in Tele-Medicine, which can assist with medical emergencies hundreds of miles offshore.

"I believe this was a once-in-a lifetime chance to build important infrastructure for the future of our community," explains Mr. Cappiello, which is why he's dedicated so much time and energy over the past nine years to not only rebuild, but breathe new life into the overall medical center mission. "This is not your average urgent care facility. It's way more...just about everything short of major surgery can be handled at the new medical center."

In fact, the new PMC is changing the face of rural medicine according to Dr. Michael Kotler, who has been the medical director at the facility since 1991 and worked closely with Mr. Cappiello and the hospital board in the design.

"We have implemented a new concept in care. Through strategic relationships with large urban medical centers, PMC can now offer acute care as well as a broad range of medical specialties," says Kotler. "The fourth floor of the Medical Center is dedicated to rental space which will allow a variety of doctors and specialists to see patients each week from OBGYN to mental health services."

The new facility will provide easy urgent and primary care access to residents and businesses from Venice to Belle Chasse and the East Bank of the Mississippi River, who will find the quick trip to Port Sulphur can save them hours of waiting at large medical centers outside of the parish.

After a recent tour of the facility, Plaquemines Business and Industry Association Executive Director Bobby Thomas said he was greatly impressed by the scope of improvements and sees the center as an essential catalyst for growth for the parish.

"The new medical center is first class and will definitely be an asset to the business community as well as residents and help in attracting new industry to the parish," says Thomas.

Funding for the new Plaquemines Medical Center was provided through a FEMA grant as well as millage funds dedicated by voters to the hospital district to be built at its new location at 27136 Highway 23 right next to the Mississippi River Bank in Port Sulphur.

Plaquemines Medical Center is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. For more information about PMC's services, contact the Occupational Medicine Coordinator, Mrs. Vanessa Fisher, or the Administrator, Mrs. Leslie Prest, at 504-564-3344.