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**PORT OF LONGVIEW HANDLES BLADES FOR EXPORT**

**Longview, WA-** A leader in wind energy cargo handling, the Port of Longview recently added wind energy cargo exporting services to their growing resume. The Port is pleased to be among the few ports that have provided this service.

For several weeks Acciona wind blades arrived at the Port from a manufacturing facility in North Dakota. When the last truck arrived, ILWU 21 longshore workers began loading the marine vessel Scan Arctic with 48 wind blades bound for a wind project in Australia.

“We are pleased to provide export blade handling services to Acciona,” said Port of Longview Director of Marketing Valerie Harris. “This first export blade shipment adds a new dimension to our wind energy cargo handling business, and we hope to attract additional shipments of this type in the future.”

“The Port of Longview has proven to us that it is a major player in the American west coast cargo handling industry by having a great deal of service and flexibility, as well as providing us with great contacts within the Longview/ Kelso vicinity,” said Acciona Supply Chain Analyst John McComas.

The Port of Longview took possession of their new Liebherr LHM500S Mobile Harbor Crane in July.

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**About the Port of Longview**

The Port of Longview is the first full-service operating port with strategic transportation connections on the deep-draft Columbia River shipping channel in southwest Washington State. The Port is located just 66 river miles from the Pacific Ocean, 120 driving miles from Seattle, Washington, and 40 driving miles from Portland, Oregon. Port facilities include eight marine terminals and waterfront industrial property with direct connections to main-line rail and interstate highway. Cargo handling specialties include all types of bulk cargos and breakbulk commodities such as steel, lumber, logs, pulp, paper, project and heavy-lift cargo.