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Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation Announces Port Winners of 2019 Season “Pacesetter Award”

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (SLSDC) today announced that five U.S. ports in the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway System received the agency’s Robert J. Lewis Pacesetter Award for registering increases in international cargo tonnage shipped through their ports during the 2019 navigation season.

“The St. Lawrence Seaway and its ports are vital to America’s freight transportation network, job creation and economic growth,” said U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao.

“Congratulations to the five Great Lakes ports being recognized as Pacesetter Award recipients for their achievements during the 2019 Seaway navigation season,” said SLSDC’s Deputy Administrator Craig H. Middlebrook. “The dedicated teams of professionals at our ports work hard to move increasing amounts of cargo safely and efficiently.”

The five ports earning the Pacesetter Award for 2019 are: the Port of Chicago (Ill.), The Port of Duluth-Superior (Minn.), the Port of Green Bay (Wis.), the Port of Monroe (Mich.), and the Port of Oswego Authority (N.Y.).

The SLSDC Pacesetter Award was established in 1992 to recognize the achievements of U.S. ports whose activities resulted in increasing international tonnage shipped through the St. Lawrence Seaway, excluding Canada, in comparison to the previous year. More than 237,000 jobs and \$35 billion in economic activity are supported annually by movement of various cargoes on the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway System.

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