



For Immediate Release
Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2018

For More Information Contact:
Susan Rak-Blanchard, Director of
Communications & Marketing, 251-
431-8641

12 Million Cubic-Foot Cold Storage Facility Coming to Mobile

MOBILE – With its first project outside the Northeast, MTC Logistics, headquartered in Baltimore, announced it will build a \$58 million cold storage facility between the APM Terminals and Mobile Aeroplex at Brookley near downtown Mobile on a piece of property owned by the Alabama State Port Authority. The company expects to hire between 50-70 full-time workers to run the facility that will store imported frozen pork products and seafood coming to the U.S. for distribution.

Company officials announced the approximately 300,000 square-foot facility will be five stories tall, and will contain almost 12 million cubic-feet of refrigerated space, and store approximately 40,000 pallets of product. All of the product will be transiting in on containers, and processed through APM Terminals before or after arriving at MTC Logistics.

Brooks Royster, president of MTC Logistics said, “We will offer a comprehensive suite of services including blast freezing, port drayage and LTL Consolidation. We have been in the temperature-controlled logistics business for 90 years and are thrilled Mobile will be a part of our future. Being able to find property immediately adjacent to a world-class port such as Mobile and in such close proximity to I-10 is a very unique opportunity. We have experienced tremendous support from local and state officials and are appreciative of their participation. We intend to be a strong corporate citizen as well.”

“MTC Logistics’ new cold storage distribution facility will be a great addition to the growing operations at the Port of Mobile,” said Greg Canfield, secretary of the Alabama Department of Commerce. “This family company is making a significant investment in Alabama and creating good-paying jobs in Mobile.”

According to David Rodgers, vice president of economic development for the Mobile Area Chamber, the MTC Logistics’ facility will be able to blast freeze poultry product coming from

across the Southeast U.S. to then export across the globe. This project will enhance Mobile's containerized operations to reach more markets throughout the world.

"This is a great project for us as Mobile continues to grow its warehousing and transportation industry cluster," said Rodgers. "It grows the Port of Alabama and increases capacity at APM Terminals. Mobile's infrastructure assets are second to none, and growing our economy is our top priority."

Mobile County Commission President Connie Hudson says the County is committed to roadwork needed to facilitate trucking to and from the facility. "MTC will be an important link in distributing seafood and poultry that are so important to our economy. (We) are pleased to be a part of this project."

"We are pleased and proud to welcome MTC Logistics to Mobile," said City of Mobile Mayor Sandy Stimpson. "We are out there every day looking for opportunities to recruit jobs and families to Mobile. This announcement is the latest proof that Mobile is open for business."

A groundbreaking is expected by December, with an estimated open date of second quarter 2020. Company officials expect an 18 month construction of the facility. Partners in this project include the Alabama State Port Authority, APM Terminals, City of Mobile, Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce, Mobile County and the State of Alabama.

###

About MTC Logistics

MTC Logistics is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hoffberger Holdings Inc. ("HHI") a diversified privately held investment company of the Hoffberger family of Baltimore, Maryland. With the expansion MTC Logistics will operate four distribution centers with over 40,000,000 cubic feet of refrigerated and frozen space, serving the ports of Mobile, Baltimore, Philadelphia and Wilmington, Del.

About the Mobile Area Chamber's Economic Development Efforts

The Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce is a private business organization with 2,000 members, and the economic developer of record for the city of Mobile and Mobile County. With the support of the Chamber's Partners for Growth public and private investors, over the last decade Mobile's economic development efforts have garnered \$9.3 billion in capital investment and added 14,386 jobs, including 30 new businesses recruited and 60-plus expansions made at existing area companies. Additional information is on the Chamber's website – www.mobilechamber.com.