With our superior breadth and depth of offerings, NC Ports can offer the same service as other ports, with bottom-line efficiencies that simply can’t be matched. Our planned improvement initiatives will dramatically increase the speed, efficiency and container capacity of the Port of Wilmington, offering our customers the utmost in service, as well as abundant capacity for continued growth.

We’re excited to continue evolving our offering as we maintain our reputation as the best gateway on the United States East Coast.
Our pro-business approach and constant quest for improvement and innovation of our ports always have been an integral part of our business and have led to great customer success. We look forward to partnering with you, coordinating with your needs and offering you even more opportunities for profitability and growth, now and in the years ahead.

In 2018, we welcomed two neo-Panamax cranes to the Port of Wilmington. The cranes are taller and have a longer outreach to accommodate the loading and unloading needs of ultra-large container vessels. The new cranes are fully operational and a third is scheduled to arrive in early 2019. In addition to the neo-Panamax cranes, Wilmington has six other ship-to-shore cranes.

Turning Basin Expansion and Harbor Deepening

Phase 2 of the turning basin project is also underway. The expansion will allow larger ocean vessels to safely and efficiently turn around in the Wilmington Harbor. Also underway is a Section 203 study determining the feasibility of deepening the harbor to accommodate deep-draft container vessels.

Berth Renovation and Expansion

With berth renovations and more than 2,600 consecutive feet of container berth space, the Port of Wilmington will be able to operate two ultra-large container vessels simultaneously. The replacement of one of Wilmington’s container berths is complete and enhancements are currently underway on another, with completion expected in summer 2019.

Expansion of the Container Yard and New Terminal and Gate Operating Systems

The container yard expansion will increase the Port of Wilmington’s annual throughput capacity to roughly 1.2 million TEU, triple refrigerated container capacity to 1,000 plugs, and additional truck lanes will maintain fast turnaround times. The simultaneous addition of a new Terminal Operating System and Gate Operating System will enhance the efficiency of the port’s container yard and container gate.

ALWAYS EXPECT MORE

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