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PORT OF GREEN BAY MAKES ECONOMIC IMPACT OF \$88 MILLION ON GREATER GREEN BAY COMMUNITY

(Green Bay) – The Port of Green Bay had an economic impact of \$88 million in 2006, supporting 725 local jobs. The figures are included in the newly released Economic Impact Report for port activities in 2006.

“The economic impact of the Port is significant” said Port Manager Dean Haen. “We’re very happy to see another 10 percent increase from 2005 to 2006.”

The study, done by the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission also found that port activities produced an estimated \$27 million in income, \$2.8 million in state taxes, \$2.4 million in local taxes and provided an estimated \$41 million in gross state product. Since 1998, the total economic impact of the Port has jumped more than \$30 million dollars, while direct employment has increased by more than 350 jobs and total income has gone up by nearly \$13 million. “The Economic Impact Report is an important tool in educating public officials and the general public of the value of the Port of Green Bay,” Haen said. “The report certainly shows the important impact of the shipping activity in the port.”

In 2006, a total of 2,537,522 metric tons of cargo were handled at the Port, the third straight year of increasing tonnage. Haen believes the increase in tonnage is directly attributable to the health of the local manufacturing and construction economy and its demand for raw materials such as coal, limestone, cement, salt and forest products. Overall tonnage has increased by 45% since 2000.

The Port of Green Bay has 13 active terminal operators involved in shipping commodities, including:

- Coal (37%)
- Limestone (26%)
- Cement (15%)
- Salt (14%)
- Fuel oil (3%)
- Pig iron (2%)
- Wood pulp (2%)
- Calcium chloride (1%)
- Liquid asphalt (.5%)

The economic impacts contained in the report were generated through the application of the US Department of Transportation’s Maritime Administration’s *MARAD Port Economic Impact Kit* developed by Rutgers University. The MARAD Kit estimates the economic value of port activities in terms of jobs, income and taxes generated.