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Slack & Co. Contracting, Inc. On Site at the Port of Houston

Houston, TX—Slack & Co. Contracting, Inc. crews are currently on site at the container storage yard expansion at the Port of Houston's Bayport Terminal. This is the first Port of Houston project the company has been awarded.

"This is an exciting project for us," Slack & Co.'s Bayport Terminal Project Manager, Patrick Dewey says. "We are performing the type of work we are experts at while gaining valuable experience working for the Port of Houston."

In January 2009, Slack & Co. devised a strategy positioning the company to face the economic downturn by integrating a greater mix of public and government jobs which receive funding from the Stimulus Act. Slack & Co. received Small Business Enterprise (SBE) certification from the City of Houston, Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the Port of Houston in April 2009. This certification qualified Slack & Co. for the Bayport Terminal job and the company was awarded a one year contract by the general contractor, McCarthy, to construct the underground utilities, including sanitary sewer and water and storm lines.

Slack & Co.'s work on the terminal's utilities began concurrently with the electrical contractor's work on the underground cabling system. The company also worked closely with the earthwork contractor who used the dirt from Slack & Co's excavation as backfill to prep the storage yard expansion for paving.

Completion of the underground utilities and electrical cabling system is slated for November 2009 when roller compacted concrete will be poured over the yard. When the concrete phase is complete, Slack & Co. will go back to the job site and complete work on above ground utilities such as risers and fire hydrants.

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