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## Watco Opens Rail and Transloading Facility in Southeast Texas

HOUSTON, TX (May 4, 2021) – Watco is pleased to announce the start-up of a full-service rail, storage, and transloading facility near Refugio, Texas. The Refugio Transload Terminal is well positioned to support the growing Corpus Christi, Rockport, and Sinton industrial areas for bulk products, chemicals, oil and gas, wind energy, agriculture, and steel.

"We are excited at the opportunity to bring in new customers to the facility and provide consistent and cost-effective storage, transportation and transloading options," said Maureen Conaway Solomon, Watco Vice President of Sales. "By partnering for the future with our customers, we can create long-term value and immediate solutions to their supply chain needs."

The 222-acre terminal is served by the Burlington Northern Santa Fe and Union Pacific railroads. It features 650 existing railcar spaces with plans for an expansion accommodating additional railcar storage space or a SIT (Storage in Transit) yard. The Refugio Transload Terminal offers eight 2,000-ton concrete silos on site with state-of-the-art conveyer systems for handling bulk commodities with the opportunity to transload from rail to silo to truck in any combination. The facility's automatic truck transloading system can rapidly fill from multiple lanes to maximize the terminal's truck throughput.

"Watco's experienced staff is ready to help our customers grow their business and provide competitive transportation options to the Texas market," said Solomon.

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Watco is a leading transportation service and logistics company. Meeting customer needs on a day-today basis has enabled Watco to continually grow throughout our nearly 40-year history. Today, Watco provides transportation; material handling and warehousing; design and development; railcar repair and custom projects for customers throughout North America and Australia. For more information, visit watco.com.

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