

## Project Cargo & Heavy Lifts

When it comes to project cargo and heavy lifts, the team at Associated Terminals has the experience for the job. “Every project is different and has its own twist. These projects are fun! As a team, we review customer requirements and determine best practices to ensure that we carry out each assignment without a hitch. The customer will often have special requirements that we must take into account. There is no room for error,” stated Greg Miller, Operations Manager.

In May, Associated Terminals discharged a crane and five reactors from the M/V Svenja at the Chalmette Slip. The M/V Svenja is a modern and specialized heavy lift vessel capable of making single lifts of up to 2,000 metric tons. Weighing 1500 tons each, the reactors measured 220 feet long and 18 feet in diameter. The reactors were delivered to a local refinery to be used to manufacture gasoline. The crane, which weighed in at 440 tons, was discharged, stored and later installed on an offshore supply vessel.

At Globalplex, Associated’s crew provided labor to move cargo from the M/V Stellaprima for a chemical plant being built in Geismar, Louisiana. The vessel loaded in Brazil with the heaviest pieces weighing in at 430 metric tons each. “When dealing with pieces that must be received in a certain sequence as well as pieces that weigh 430 metric tons having the right personnel, rigging and transportation is a combined effort of Associated Terminals, the vessel crew, consignee and inland transporters. The vessel had to pump ballast during discharge to maintain stability. This required excellent communication between the vessel and the Associated team during the discharge to maintain a safe and successful operation,” stated Brian Cox, Operations Manager.

With multiple locations along the Lower Mississippi River, Associated is the ideal choice for project cargo transfers. Proximity to area plants, the ability to provide a safe environment for unloading and excellent service allows the Company to continue to be the leading stevedore and terminal operator in the U.S. Gulf.