

Port of Suape will have the second container terminal tendered

Tecon II will increase the handling capacity of the Port of Suape in over 1.5 million TEU'S

Largest port leasing project underway in the Federal Government's Partnership and Investment Program (PPI), the second container terminal (Tecon II) of the Suape Industrial and Port Complex has the prevision to be tendered on the third trimester of this year, bringing new perspectives to the port of Pernambuco. The new Terminal handling capacity of Suape will pass from 700 TEU's to over **1.5 million TEUS / year** (20-foot unit of measurement), the equipment is fundamental for Suape to exercise it's position as a hub port for the North and Northeast, increasing it's potential.

"The Tecon II is designed, in terms of infrastructure and tariffs, to concentrate cargo, in order for the Complex to become a hub Port, **especially after the expansion of the Panama Canal, which will allow the transit of ships from the Asia-to-Brazil, the largest in volume, to enter the country by the canal**, discharging the containers destined for the North and Northeast regions of Brazil in Suape, and then continuing the routes to the ports of the South and Southeast ", observes the CEO of Suape, Leonardo Cerquinho.

Nowadays, round trips are made by South Africa, a considerably larger route than the Panama Canal (expanded in 2016) and used, mainly, by the nonexistence of other terminals with the adequate infrastructure in the Northeast. In an attempt to change this scenario, the Suape Complex and the Panama Canal Authority signed a technical cooperation agreement (MoU) on June 21st to work together to enable new international sea lanes for Brazil via the Panama Canal using Suape as a port of transshipment.

The TECON II **will have 770 meters with 02 berths (piers 6 and 7) and can be extended to 1,100 meters (pier 8)**. It will be allocated in an area of 269 thousand square meters, with the possibility of being expanded **to 429 thousand square meters**. The lease will be for 35 years, extendable up to 70 years, and its global value should reach **R\$ 5.495 billion**. The estimated investment in the terminal is **R\$ 1.2 billion**. The bidding process is being conducted by the National Secretary of Ports and Waterway Transportation (SNPTA) and, by the scheduled timetable, by January 2020, the hirer must be chosen.

LEADERSHIP

The Tecon II will be another advantage to the numerous competitive advantages that makes Suape the leader in handling among the 30 public ports of the North and Northeast. In 2018, there were **23.4 million tons** of cargo handled in Suape. The Port is placed on the the first position in cabotage in the country and is the fifth in the ranking of movement among the national ports. It also maintains the leadership in the handling of liquid bulk cargoes among public ports, making Pernambuco a port of fuels and oil products for the North and Northeast.

The strategic location is one of these competitive advantages. The Port of Suape is within a radius of **800 kilometers gathering seven of the nine capitals of the Northeast and 12 airports (six international)**, with direct lines to countries in Europe, South America and the North. Its internal port has depth between 12 and 15.5 meters and the external port 15.5 to 20 meters. In addition, it

is a sheltered Port with minimum silting and maintains a building of the Port Authority, which concentrates all the custom and clearance agencies in one place, which reduces the time of liberation of ships and loads. Suape operates 365 days a year, 24 hours a day, without tidal restrictions or weather conditions.

Located in an area of **13,500 hectares**, **59% of its territory is destined to environmental preservation**, Suape gathers around a hundred industries, among enterprises installed and under construction, generating around **20 thousand direct jobs**. They are companies that offer business opportunities in many sectors, attracting investments and generating income for Pernambuco workers. In the ten industrial poles located in the territory of Suape, you can find companies from the logistics, liquid and gas, petrochemical, PET and plastic preforms, wind power, power generation, metalworking, construction materials, food and beverages, naval and offshore.

CARGO HANDLING 2018 – SUAPE

Nature of Cargo	Weight (tons)
Liquid Bulks and gases	17.624.566
Containers	5.096.243
Solid Bulks	465.516
General Cargo	249.635
TOTAL	23.435.961