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To all GPA users:

As a reminder, all port users are required to present a TWIC (Transportation Worker Identification Credential) and a valid GPA credential to Port Police for inspection prior to entry being permitted to any GPA terminal. The possession of a TWIC is required by federal law for individuals who need routine access to restricted areas in the course of their employment and where the nature of their employment makes TWIC escorts not feasible. The Authority strongly encourages all port users, who have not already done so, to take the required steps to enroll for their TWIC.

Persons seeking access to GPA facilities who do not physically possess a TWIC, are not routinely employed on GPA facilities, have demonstrated a business need to enter, and are approved by the GPA to enter, shall only enter GPA facilities with a GPA approved TWIC escort as a side-by-side companion. Persons may be permitted five visits to GPA within a one year period before they too will be required to obtain both a TWIC and a GPA credential for entry.

Escorts and visitors must maintain side-by-side accompaniment at all times while on the facility. If an escort or visitor becomes separated from their companion they must notify Port Police immediately, at (912) 964-3911, and an officer will respond to your location. Escorts/Visitors assume full responsibility for complying with all TWIC escorting requirements. An escort's/visitor's failure to adhere to these procedures constitutes a breach of security and will be reported in accordance with federal law.

GPA may be fined for TWIC related breaches of security. Fines levied against GPA for escorting violations will be redirected to the responsible party. A fine may range from \$1,500.00 to \$32,500.00 for each incident. Failure to comply with GPA's escorting requirements will result in loss of terminal access privileges and may result in arrest and prosecution. All escorts/visitors will receive a GPA TWIC Escorting Pamphlet and be required to sign a GPA Visitor Escort Agreement prior to entry.

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