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### North Carolina Ports Partners with the Scoular Company to Expand Agricultural Opportunities

**Wilmington, N.C.** – The North Carolina State Ports Authority is excited to announce it is expanding capabilities to better support the North Carolina agriculture industry through a partnership with Scoular.

North Carolina Ports on Tuesday received approval from the North Carolina Council of State for a land lease to develop an agricultural transload facility on the Port of Wilmington. Council of State approved the long-term lease for Scoular to develop an at-port facility that will receive, store, and load agricultural products.

"We are excited to work with Scoular, a company that has more than a century of experience in the agriculture industry, to expand our business offerings to better serve the North Carolina agriculture community," said Brian E. Clark, Executive Director, North Carolina Ports.

"Scoular looks forward to partnering with the North Carolina State Ports Authority on its exciting journey of growth that brings new agricultural markets to North Carolina farmers. Equally exciting for Scoular is working with our steamship line partners in adding another export location within their container network to serve our joint global customers of feed and food products," said Doug Grennan, Vice President and General Manager of Select Global Grains and Oilseeds of the Omaha, Neb. based Scoular.

Scoular is developing a transload operation on the Port of Wilmington's General Cargo Terminal. The facility will be used to transfer bulk agricultural products to containers for export on ocean-going vessels.



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"Scoular is one of the top exporters of ag related products in containers from the United States. This investment will aid in opening new export markets around the globe for North Carolina farmers," added Clark.

The Scoular Company anticipates breaking ground on the transload facility in the coming months with an anticipated completion date this summer.

#### **About North Carolina Ports**

North Carolina's ports in Wilmington and Morehead City and Charlotte Inland Port link the state's consumers, business and industry to world markets and serve as magnets to attract new business and industry to the State of North Carolina. Port activities contribute statewide to more than 87,700 jobs and \$678 million each year in state and local tax revenues.

## **About the Scoular Company**

A 128-year-old company with \$4.6 billion in sales, <u>Scoular</u> creates safe and reliable supply chain solutions for end-users and suppliers of grain, feed ingredients and food ingredients. From more than 100 offices and facilities in North America and Asia, Scoular's 1,000-plus employees lead the way by buying, selling, storing, handling and processing grain and ingredients as well as managing transportation and logistics for customers around the world.

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