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NC State Ports Authority Statement regarding status of proposed NC International Terminal project

The NC State Ports Authority has heard and respects the concerns voiced by local communities and our elected officials and is placing the proposed NC International Terminal (NCIT) project on hold. Together, in concert with residents and elected officials, the NC State Ports Authority will examine how to keep North Carolina's ports competitive and continue its mission to enhance the economy of the entire State.

We believe that access to a deepwater port is important to keeping North Carolina globally competitive. We will examine all options beyond the NCIT.

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