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**South Carolina Ports
Authority Update**

featuring

Barbara Melvin,
*President & CEO,
South Carolina Ports*

**Hugh & Jean Leatherman
Medical Education Complex**
201 W. Evans Street

Reception following at the
Carter Center
200 W. Evans Street

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Barbara Melvin

President & CEO, South Carolina Ports

As the first woman to lead a top 10 U.S. operating container port, her skilled leadership guided many of the port's significant achievements, including deepening the Charleston Harbor to 52 feet, making it the East Coast's deepest harbor.

Barbara has held numerous leadership positions during her 25 years with SC Ports. What began as a career in government relations and external affairs, advanced to port operations and being named the SC Ports' Chief Operating Officer in 2018, before becoming CEO in 2022. Since taking the helm in 2022, she has been recognized as a 2023 Leading Woman by SC Women in Leadership, a 2023 Rainmaker by DC Velocity, and was unanimously selected to receive the Outstanding Women in Supply Chain Award from supply chain management students at the University of Tennessee.

Barbara proudly leads the 1,000-person SC Ports team, who work tirelessly on keeping freight moving through the Port of Charleston and South Carolina's two rail-served inland ports.

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