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First Company in Intermodal Campus Reveals World Headquarters

The [Hyperlogistics Group Inc.](#), the first company to move into the intermodal campus of the [Rickenbacker Global Logistics Park \(RGLP\)](#), held a pre-grand opening in December to unveil its new world headquarters. The nearly completed 407,000-square-foot import warehouse is scheduled to open in February.

"We are very excited to have Hyperlogistics' new headquarters as the anchor facility in the [intermodal campus](#)," said Robin Holderman, Vice President of Real Estate at [Columbus Regional Airport Authority \(CRAA\)](#). "We expect that its business will benefit from the close proximity to the new Norfolk Southern intermodal terminal which is expected to open in the first quarter of 2008."



Hyperlogistics is the first company to move into the intermodal campus with its new warehouse.

The CRAA has partnered with Duke Realty and Capitol Square to develop RGLP, which encompasses 1,500 acres in four campuses including the intermodal campus. These organizations are also working closely with Norfolk Southern to attract businesses that can benefit from Rickenbacker's strategic location and multi-modal network of rail, air and truck transportation.

"We expect that moving closer to the intermodal yard will accelerate our delivery times, reduce costs and bring new business," said Geoff Manack, co-founder of Hyperlogistics.

Survey Finds Common Benefits Among Companies

The [Rickenbacker Employer Assistance Network \(REAN\)](#) recently completed its annual wage and benefit survey. Results are used by companies in the area to measure how the benefits they offer compare to other companies.

Companies in the banking, distribution, logistics and warehouse industries participated in the survey and most of them currently offer the following benefits:

- At least six paid holidays a year;
- Paid time off;
- Tuition reimbursement;
- 401K;
- Health and dental benefits;
- Short and long term disability;
- Employee assistance program; and
- Free parking.

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New Communications Coordinator Focused on Rickenbacker

The [Columbus Regional Airport Authority](#) (CRAA) recently hired Amy Hite as a Communications Coordinator. Amy's main task will be to assist with Rickenbacker's communication efforts.

"I'm excited to be a part of the Airport Authority and looking forward to working on Rickenbacker's communication, public relations and marketing strategies, including the *Rickenbacker Area Report*," said Amy.



Amy Hite is CRAA's newest Communications Coordinator.

As the new editor of the *Rickenbacker Area Report* Amy would like to hear your suggestions and ideas for the newsletter. Contact her at AHite@ColumbusAirports.com or (614) 238-7807 with your comments and suggestions.

With the combination of graduating with a bachelor's degree in Communication Arts from Malone College and her past experience in the field, Amy brings a wealth of communications and writing experience to CRAA.

New Regional Director at Network Global Logistics

[Network Global Logistics](#) (NGL), a leading provider of supply chain, logistics and transportation services, has announced Joseph T. Ryan as the new Director of Midwest Regional Operations.



Network Global Logistics' new regional director, Joe Ryan, works in the Lockbourne facility.

Joe will work out of the Lockbourne facility to direct operations of all contract and multi-tenant distribution centers in NGL's Midwest Region. His responsibilities will include strategic planning, compression planning facilitation, operational consulting, facility start-ups, lean implementation programs, and financial management.

"We are very pleased to have Joe on our team leading our operational growth in the Midwest Region," stated Raymond J. Garcia, NGL CEO. "Considering his wealth of experience in operations management, process improvement, and Lean Six Sigma, our clients, employees, and operations will truly benefit from his knowledge and expertise."

Find Qualified Employees through Local Organization

[SUCCESS](#) (Strategic Utilization of Career Centered Employment Support Services) is a federally-funded grant program at Jewish Family Services in Columbus that matches professional dislocated workers with appropriate employers.

"There is no fee for employers to access our services and hire our clients," said Karen Hughes, SUCCESS Coordinator. "Employers can also utilize us if they are downsizing their professional staff and would like to help their ex-employees find new jobs."

SUCCESS helps employers find employees in a variety of occupations such as human resource, logistics and customer service. Contact Karen at (614) 559-0177 or khughes@jfs-columbus.org for help in finding qualified employees for your company.

Berger Medical Center Opens Near Rickenbacker

Berger Medical Center recently opened seven miles west of the Rickenbacker area and offers convenient access for diagnostic imaging and lab procedures.

The outpatient health care center offers diagnostic services such as MRI, CT, ultrasound, digital mammography, bone densitometry, x-ray, laboratory, and massage therapy. Physician offices are also located at the facility.



Contact the new Berger Medical Center at (614) 277-4600 or visit www.bergerhealth.com.

Network with Local Businesses

The Rickenbacker Employer Assistance Network (REAN) is a network of human resource professionals and area business owners interested in leveraging their resources.

“Participation in the REAN group is free and benefits the local businesses by giving them an opportunity to meet their neighbors and discuss relevant issues such as human resource topics,” said Christopher Kitchen, Columbus Regional Airport Authority’s Human Resources Manager and REAN Facilitator. “The goal of REAN is to establish a supportive environment among the local businesses that strengthens and further develops growth of the Rickenbacker area.”

Become a REAN member by contacting one of these individuals:

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REAN 2008 Meeting Dates Online

Access REAN’s 2008 meeting dates through the Columbus Regional Airport Authority’s Web site by clicking on “Rickenbacker,” “About Rickenbacker,” then “Rickenbacker Employer Assistant Network (REAN)”.

The first meeting in 2008 is scheduled for noon on January 15 at the Madison Township Community Center.

REAN meetings are usually held from noon until 1 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month, January – October, and on the second Tuesday in November. Meeting locations vary and are often sponsored by an area business.

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