

MSC's MEDLOG breaks ground on new cold storage facility in Georgia

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MEDLOG, the logistics division of MSC, has officially commenced construction on a new 27,034 m², state-of-the-art cold storage facility in Savannah, Georgia.

MSC said this significant project will enhance the export capabilities of poultry, pork, and meat producers in the United States Southeast and Midwest.

The Savannah facility, which is expected to become operational by mid-2025, will introduce approximately 20,000 freezer and cooler pallet positions to the local market and is designed to process up to three million pounds of blast freezing daily. This capacity will allow producers to ship raw products directly to the facility for blast freezing before exporting to overseas markets in South America and Asia.

Moreover, equipped to handle both frozen and chilled cargo, the facility will feature 42 loading docks and is designed to accommodate rail cargo, providing producers from as far as the US Midwest with access to global markets.

This new investment by MEDLOG in Georgia is also expected to significantly benefit the Port of Savannah, the third busiest container terminal in the United States. The development is a major investment in the port's future growth and is expected to create over 100 new jobs in the city.

"This latest investment in the state of Georgia is another example for how MSC continues to expand the global reach of U.S. exporters and importers by enhancing landside capacity. We've designed this cold storage facility with the necessary specifications to enable trade opportunities for businesses as far inland as the Midwest. MSC has been serving U.S. businesses nationwide since 1985, and this facility allows us to further strengthen that decades-long partnership," stated Fabio Santucci, MSC US President & CEO.

MSC noted MEDLOG's Savannah cold storage facility is designed with sustainability in mind, aiming to minimize its carbon footprint. It will feature a 1.5-megawatt rooftop solar array, supplying about 10% of the facility's energy needs. Additionally, it will be the first cold storage facility in the United States to achieve BREEAM™ certification, an international alternative to LEED™.