Cargo Operations To Cease Today, Port Ready For Isaac Six Vessels To Seek Safe Harbor Within Port

New Orleans — Cargo terminals within the Port of New Orleans will cease operations by 5 p.m. today as Port personnel and terminal operators finish storm preparedness procedures in anticipation of Tropical Storm Isaac. The Associated Branch Pilots, which pilot ships through Southwest Pass at the mouth of the Mississippi River, ceased operations Sunday night and the Crescent River Port Pilots and the New Orleans Baton Rouge Pilot Associations are not planning to seek refuge during the River traffic advisories.