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Launching The Gabby Giffords



Job Specs

Weight: 2800 Tons

Dimensions: 418'W x 107'L

Equipment Used: 104 axle lines of SPMTs, loading ramps, 18 high volume water pumps, 425' x 126' x 25' deck barge, numerous 65 ton winches and tugs.

The Berard Team was proud to once again take a pinnacle role in transporting the Navy's newest addition to its fleet, the Gabrielle Giffords, a 418'L x 107'W Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) built with pride by Austal in Mobile, Alabama. Berard provided a turnkey service and accomplished the task using 104 axle lines of self propelled modular transporters. The team rolled the 2800 ton LCS from the final assembly bay to a waiting deck barge, all in record time and keeping the project ahead of schedule. The LCS was then barged down river for transloading from deck barge to drydock. The entire process was accomplished safely and in only one day.



A Nighttime Super Wide Load



Job Specs

Dimensions & Weights:

2 large cold boxes:
519,200 lbs.
106' L x 41' W x 26'H

Cold box:
376,280 lbs. 97'
L x 24' W x 23'H

Battery assembly:
253,816 lbs.
97' L x 23' W x 19' H

Equipment Used:

12 lines of PST-SLE SPMTs, 26 lines of THP transporters, barge ramps, winch trucks, ballast equipment, barge / tug, 300 mats, 15 escort vehicles and 6 bucket trucks.

Turn-key multimodal projects are our specialty, and this project used many methods of transport to get these 4 LNG components from the fabrication facility in New Iberia, LA to a new gas plant project near Houston, TX. The Berard team first jacked up and transported these cold boxes from the fabrication shop to the painting area. Once completed, these boxes were then loaded onto a deck barge and secured for marine transport. The cargo was barged via the Intracoastal Waterway to a roll-off site near Baytown, TX. Berard then rolled off the cargo using a 12 line Goldhofer PST-SLE transporter and staged near the highway for the remaining portion of the move. From here, a 10 mile move was required. Berard coordinated with over a dozen contractors including bucket trucks, utility companies, Union Pacific Railroad, local police escorts, and others to move these 41' wide cold boxes, which included a two mile stretch on Interstate 10. With a night move restriction set by TX DOT, two boxes were moved on a Friday night starting at 9:00 pm. The two boxes the first night arrived safely on site at 2:30 am. The next night, two more boxes departed the barge site at 9:00 pm, arriving at the plant at 12:30 am. Thanks to the Berard team as well as the numerous subcontractors who helped make this project a huge success.





Slips, Trips & Falls



Slips, trips and falls is the number 1 reason for an industrial injury in the United States. More workers are hurt due to slips, trip or falls than any other reason. Over the years we've had several incidents from tripping on strapping to slipping on oil.

This is probably the most important thing you can do to prevent this type of accident. Housekeeping is the key to preventing slips, trips and falls.

Thousands of disabling injuries—and even deaths—occur each year as a result of slips, trips, and falls:

- > From heights, on stairs, and on level ground
- > At work and at home

Maintain Work Areas to Prevent Slips, Trips, and Falls

- > Keep walkways, aisles, and stairs free of tools, materials, and other hazards.
- > Clean up any leaks or spills on floors, stairs, entranceways, and loading docks promptly.
- > Keep cords, power cables, and air hoses out of walkways.
- > Walk, don't run, on stairs. Hold onto stair rails while going up and down.
- > Don't jump on or off platforms and loading docks, and stay away from edges.
- > Don't carry a load you can't see over, especially on stairs or around dock edges.

> Birthdays @ Berard

Happy Birthday!

From The Berard Team

Berard sends our best Happy Birthday wishes to these dedicated Team Members this month:

- > **Andrea Armenakis**
- > **Kevin Bienvenu**
- > **Ray Breaux**
- > **Trent Houghton**
- > **Dustin Ronsonet**
- > **Caleb Segura**
- > **Sloane Simoneaux**