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United States Cold Storage Completes Wilmington, IL, Addition

2013 saw United States Cold Storage (USCS) complete a 4.1 million-cubic-foot expansion in Wilmington, IL, and strengthen its Midwest storage and distribution capabilities.

Built in 2009, Wilmington is about 60 miles southwest of Chicago and works with sister sites in nearby Minooka and Lyons, IL. The Phase 2 addition boosted the operation's storage capacity to nearly 10 million cubic feet and 16,000 pallet positions. Specifically, Wilmington added three rooms—including one dedicated freezer room and two others with convertible temperature controls.

General Manager Greg Rohrbaugh says USCS Wilmington had been operating at maximum levels and also needed more dock space and loading doors. He attributes Wilmington's fast growth to company customers and their success.

"Expansion means great things for USCS Wilmington," adds Dave Butterfield, Vice President and Area Manager-Midwest. "It means that our presence is strong and the services we offer are ones our customers are looking for."

Rohrbaugh notes that USCS' multi-vendor freight consolidation program "is definitely the driver of our business" in transportation services for USCS and its three Chicago-area locations.

More importantly, there's even more room to grow. USCS Wilmington sits on a developed 35-acre site with room for two more expansions. Officials say the operation has a build-out capacity of nearly 18 million cubic feet with more than 67,000 pallet positions.

Wilmington offers sub-zero storage at temperatures from -10F to +50F. It has an enclosed, refrigerated **65-foot loading dock and 22 truck dock doors**. It offers custom distribution programs, specialized case picking and order assembly, slip sheet loading/unloading, stretch wrapping for palletized orders, USDA inspection services and documentation, and import-export services.

Officials note that future expansion could include rail access and docks if required.

About United States Cold Storage

United States Cold Storage, Inc. (USCS), Voorhees, N.J., is a premier provider of public refrigerated warehousing (PRW) and related logistics services throughout North America. With roots dating back to 1891, USCS has long served a diverse customer base with requirements ranging from primary storage to fully integrated third-party logistics.

*The company offers **202 million cubic feet** of temperature-controlled warehouse and distribution space in 34 facilities located in 12 states including California, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Nebraska, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Utah and Virginia. USCS is the third largest PRW Logistics provider in North America.*

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