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RUBB COMPLETES SECOND WAREHOUSE FOR PORT OF PHILADELPHIA

The Port of Philadelphia faced an urgent need in the summer of 2003 to enclose over one hundred thousand square feet of storage space at the Tioga Marine Terminal on the Delaware River. Knowing they had a relatively short time frame and having had a positive experience with a 40,000 square foot Rubb structure built in 2002 the Port knew that Rubb was the solution to meet their project requirements.



Rubb received the order for a 107,250 square foot linked span building in August 2003 and delivered the first fabricated materials to the subcontractor, JMG Excavating and Construction of Pottstown, PA less than two months later. JMG, working in conjunction with their subcontractors, was able to complete the structure ready for use in just over two months. This allowed the port to discharge cargo into a fully functional, lighted and sprinkled warehouse structure on time and as planned.

The Port of Philadelphia project involved a tight schedule and a difficult site. The project was further complicated by the fact that the Rubb building was replacing a competitor's structure that had collapsed under snow load in February of 2003 after being in place less than a year. This event led to a rigorous review and inspection of Rubb's design calculations and the Rubb structure itself to ensure full compliance with building code and insurance company requirements. Rubb not only easily met this challenge but again far exceeded its customer's expectations.



Rubb went beyond project specification requirements and provided a relocatable foundation and anchoring system that compensated for the uneven site and at the same time eliminated the need for expensive concrete footings or piles. This foundation kept the structure level and plumb and allowed for better drainage away from the structure. Rubb also supplied the structure with a higher interior clear height than specified in order to provide greater operational flexibility within the structure. This allowed the Port to enclose nearly 4,000,000 cubic feet of space within four months of contract.

The Rubb organization, with production facilities in the United States, Great Britain, and Norway, is recognized as a world leader in the design, development, and manufacture of relocatable structures.