

# KCBX Using Environmentally Friendly Equipment

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KCBX Terminals Company has added new equipment at its Southeast Side coal and petroleum coke dock that is reducing emissions and improving efficiency.

“We are always seeking ways to improve, and with this new Komatsu loader, we're seeing benefits in a number of ways,” said David Bever, terminal manager. “Not only are we able to make fewer trips to move product from our yard to outgoing vessels, but also the engine technology actually produces fewer emissions of nitrogen oxide and diesel particulate.”

With the addition of the \$1.3 million diesel-powered loader, KCBX is advancing its drive toward continuous improvement. In 2006, reportable air emissions were 30 percent lower than in 2000.

KCBX handles about 5 million tons of coal and petroleum coke annually from its Chicago terminal, which is 1.8 miles from Lake Michigan on the Calumet River.



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“Our success thus far is the result of our employees being ever-watchful when it comes to operating safely and in an environmentally responsible manner,” Bever said. “Too, we have worked to develop strong relationships with our neighbors and the Southeast Environmental Task Force to better understand how to continuously improve our operations.”

KCBX, which employs 39 at the site, also continues to support the community via participation in Veteran's Park Association, the Southeast

Environmental Task Force's education fund, Calumet Industrial Association Commission and Alderman John Pope's Job Fair.

“We will continue to look for opportunities that allow us to further reduce emissions and improve efficiency,” Bever said. “We are a growing business and we believe there are opportunities to replace some of the diesel-powered equipment we use with electric-powered technology.”