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### Fracht Group & HCC Forge Path to Success with Dept. of Labor Registered Apprenticeship Program in Freight Forwarding



HOUSTON, TX, April 25 -- Fracht Group, a pioneering force in logistics, proudly announces its partnership with Houston Community College (HCC) to unveil the revolutionary International Freight Forwarding Apprenticeship Program. This innovative collaboration marks a historic milestone as Fracht Group becomes the first freight forwarder to establish a registered apprenticeship program in conjunction with the Department of Labor.

"At Fracht Group, we are dedicated to nurturing talent and advancing progress within the logistics industry," stated Yanet Joosten, VP of Human Resources at Fracht Group. "Our partnership with Houston Community College exemplifies our commitment to shaping the future of freight forwarding."

The International Freight Forwarding Apprenticeship Program represents a fusion of academic excellence and practical experience, providing aspiring professionals with a comprehensive pathway to success in global logistics. This initiative underscores Fracht Group's leadership in the industry and its dedication to empowering the next generation of logistics leaders. "The Department of Labor recognizes Fracht's initiative and forward-thinking by integrating Registered apprenticeship in their workforce development strategy. Fracht is the first freight forwarding company affiliated with a registered apprenticeship in the nation," said James Carnes, US Department of Labor. "We welcome Fracht as part of the Registered apprenticeship family of sponsors employer. We look forward to a long and prosperous partnership, under the auspices of Houston Community College's Registered Apprenticeship Program".

"We are thrilled to lead the way as the inaugural freight forwarder to establish a registered apprenticeship program with the Department of Labor," added Reiner Wiederkehr, CEO of Fracht Group. "This program not only offers invaluable learning opportunities but also provides participants with competitive compensation, ensuring that learning is both accessible and rewarding."

Through the collaboration with Houston Community College, Fracht Group aims to equip apprentices with the skills, knowledge, and practical experience necessary to navigate complex supply chains and international regulations effectively. By combining theoretical education with hands-on training, the program prepares participants to excel in the dynamic field of freight forwarding. "It is a huge win for HCC's students to be able to work and study with such a distinguished international logistics firm," said HCC Chancellor Margaret Ford Fisher, Ed.D. "In these apprenticeships, our students will be able to receive hands-on practical training and on-the-job experience, all under the mentorship of Fracht's team of experts."

For more information about the International Freight Forwarding Apprenticeship Program, please visit [www.frachtgroup.com](http://www.frachtgroup.com).

#### About Fracht Group:

Fracht Group is a Swiss-born, family-owned organization that serves clients worldwide with comprehensive logistics and supply chain solutions. Fracht's vast global network of 150 offices and an unyielding focus on excellence, industry expertise, and cutting-edge technologies, Fracht Group delivers dependable and efficient services around the world. With an altruistic foundation, Fracht Group prides itself in its focus on corporate social responsibility and sustainability. For more information, please visit [www.Frachtgroup.com](http://www.Frachtgroup.com).

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