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[Picture: Keppel AmFELS Team & Staff]

Keppel AmFELS is on the Rise

BROWNSVILLE Texas, (April 3, 2019) – Keppel AmFELS, marine property and offshore shipyard, strategically located in the Port of Brownsville and the Gulf of Mexico, in partnership with the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation, is pleased to announce the expansion and growth of their business operations.

Established in 1990, Keppel AmFELS has built up a solid track record and capabilities in the construction, refurbishment, conversion, life extension and repair of a complete range of mobile drilling rigs and platforms. Keppel AmFELS committed to a capital investment of approximately \$10 million and currently has approximately 552 employees and have committed to add approximately 1000 employees more by 2020, at an average hourly wage of \$18.48 plus benefits.

Simon Lee, Keppel AmFELS President, stated, "Working together with the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation has provided us with a great opportunity to grow, as a result, today, we are the foremost offshore shipyard in the Gulf of Mexico, backed by comprehensive facilities and a highly-skilled workforce. These qualities have enabled us to deliver premium rigs on time, within budget and safely, placing Brownsville on the global map for world class offshore solutions."

Brownsville Deputy City Manager, Helen Ramirez, stated, "Brownsville has a great business climate that allows companies to grow and flourish due to its rich history, culture and natural resources. Brownsville is open for Business!"

Mario Lozoya, GBIC Executive Director, said, "GBIC is working on strategies to develop a stronger and relevant workforce in Brownsville. Initiatives such as 'We Grow Our Own' are connecting major employers with local schools and students. Resulting in the creation of high paying jobs and social mobility for our citizens."

GBIC, is the type A economic development arm for the City of Brownsville, has a mission to promote and increase the economic and industrial competitiveness of the region. For more information visit the website at www.Greaterbrownsville.com

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