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GTS Has the Solutions for any Shipment Need

BY CB STAFF

From local moves within Puerto Rico, to national and international relocations, García Trucking Service (GTS) is focused on getting shipments to their destinations safely and on time.

"We are the largest transportation company on the island," said Anthony Rodríguez, sales manager at García Trucking Service Inc. "As master riggers serving Puerto Rico and most of the Caribbean, our extensive and impressive list of clients covers Puerto Rico's leading companies in almost every industry."

With more than 140 trucks and tractors, and 2,000 dry and refrigerated containers, the company provides a wide range of services, which includes trucking, rigging, crating, storage, international household goods relocations, industrial and pharmaceutical machinery handling, and those services required by the import/export sectors.

Given GTS' experience with a broad range of industries, such as pharmaceuticals, healthcare facilities, electronics manufacturers, U.S. military, retailers, distributors and other sectors that require specialized-goods handling, Rodríguez pointed out that GTS stands out as an industry leader in industrial machinery installations, plant and other forms of corporate and commercial relocations, hauling services, heavy hoisting, fine-arts handling, military relocations, and FF&E (furniture, fixtures & equipment) installations.

"Because we are cleanroom-certified, as well as experts at

handling medical equipment such as CT scanners, MRI technology and other types of medical equipment, we are called on by operations that work with these technologies to deliver or remove delicate machinery from their sites," he said.

In the area of corporate and commercial relocations, GTS handles carrier bookings, and serves all major van lines locally, nationally and internationally. The company also specializes in handling and relocating vehicles to and from any part of the world. When it comes to military relocations, the company is the largest military agent in Puerto Rico, representing 62 military carriers, and handling more than half of all the moving jobs for military personnel on the island. Residential and office relocations are also a GTS priority, with local, national and international door-to-door relocation services that include office moves ranging from federal and local government agencies to all areas of the private sector. In addition, the company is licensed to transport hazardous waste material.

To handle jobs of this magnitude, GTS' inventory of equipment includes tilt-bed trucks, tractors, flatbed trailers, low-bed trailers, vans, dry and refrigerated containers available for rental, along with 70-ton to 150-ton cranes, and forklifts that can handle as much as 70,000 pounds.

Other equipment includes electrical forklifts capable of handling up to 10,000 pounds, boom trucks, double droop and

expandable trailers, and air pad equipment. Each vehicle is also equipped with radio communications with an exclusive Federal Communications Commission-assigned frequency, so it can be tracked as it travels throughout the island.

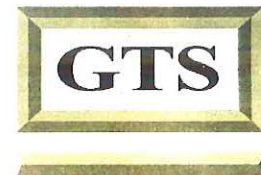
The company's Carolina-based state-of-the-art facility also provides warehouse storage services. Providing three warehouses within the San Juan-metropolitan area, the site includes armed-guard security 24 hours a day, electronic surveillance, five loading ramps and an industrial weighing scale. In terms of service, GTS' bilingual crew is available on a daily basis to handle any need, with premium packing materials and equipment available if required.

As a bonded carrier and Registered International Mover (RIM), GTS is also a member of several high-profile associations, such as the Specialized Carrier & Rigging Association (SC&RA), International Association of Movers (IAM), American Moving & Storage Association (AMSA), Pan-American International Movers Association (Paima), Latin American & Caribbean International Movers Association (Lacma) and P.R. Minority Supplier Development Center (PRMSDC), while also working closely with the U.S. Customs and Treasury, and Hacienda de P.R. For 2016, plans are already in the works for cross-docking service in Jacksonville, Fla., with a new warehouse and servicing of several lanes on the East Coast. ■



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Type of Business:

Transportation

Name of Business:

García Trucking Service Inc.

Top Executive:

José A. García Muñiz, President

Year Founded: 1978

Number of Employees: 130

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