



LOCATION

Pontiac, MI

DATE OF WORK

August 2020

PROJECT

B-14812

*Press Pieces barged and transported to site.*



HIL was awarded the responsibility of moving three over-sized Press Pieces from the manufacturer in Brazil, to the customers facility in Pontiac, MI. This project was completed in three phases. The first phase saw the pieces shipped to the Port of Houston from the manufacturer. After the cargo cleared customs, the pieces were then transferred to a hopper barge, for their onward journey to Port of Chicago. This was the second interchange point. HIL's team mobilized to Port Chicago, where they began to prep a deck barge for the final water leg, with the required mats, stands, beams



and D-rings. Once prepped, the cargo was transloaded from the hopper barge to the deck barge, for the blue-water transit. The barge then made its way to Nicholson Dock in Detroit.

HIL's ground team mobilized to Detroit, to prep the dock with mats/load spreading materials and ramps to accommodate the roll-off, and then began the offloading. First, the barge was ballasted to dock elevation and ramps placed. A self-propelled Goldhofer transporter was then used to slide the Press Pieces off the barge. Pieces then had to be lifted in order to remove staging beams to reduce the overall height, to facilitate the transload to the 14-axle dual-lane Goldhofer. Now the pieces were finally transported, one-at-a-time from the Dock to the jobsite in Pontiac.

