

Griffith V. Lynch

Executive Director, Georgia Ports Authority

Griffith V. Lynch is the Executive Director of the Georgia Ports Authority (GPA), an 1,100- person strong state port authority that owns and operates strategic gateways serving the U.S. Southeast.

As Executive Director, Lynch oversees all port activity involving the deepwater ports of Savannah and Brunswick, as well as inland terminal operations. Directing one of Georgia's largest economic engines, he administers a \$380 million annual budget.

Before becoming executive director, Lynch served as GPA chief operating officer for five years. As COO of the single largest container terminal in North America and second busiest U.S. auto port, he was responsible for sustaining the profitable growth and development of all operations, and maintaining world-class operating standards.

A proven leader in the maritime industry, Lynch brings 29 years of experience in the design and implementation of major port expansions, the effective execution of sustainable profit and productivity models and identifying winning sales and marketing strategies.