



TSC Design completes Atlantic Container Line's (ACL) new 30,000 s/f corporate headquarters

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TSC Design has completed the new 30,000 s/f corporate headquarters for Atlantic Container Line (ACL). ACL specializes in the shipping of containers, project and oversized cargo, heavy equipment and vehicles with one of the world's largest Roll-on Roll-off/Containerships. ACL recently purchased the 45,000 s/f, three-story building and presented TSC the opportunity to infuse ACL's brand identity into their new headquarters.

The nautical nature of ACL's business provided design inspiration which translated into a multitude of treatments. As you step out of the elevators and walk through the gallery you are surrounded by curved wood walls, ceiling and floors that transport you into the hull of a ship. This space showcases miniature reproductions of ACL's fleet and maritime artifacts. The light fixtures above are fashioned after port holes. The most notable design element, centrally located within the 40-person cafeteria, is a replica of a ship's propeller. The floor to ceiling propeller sculpture is positioned in a recessed cove of blue LED lighting capturing the essence of water. This communal space was designed for everyday luncheons and special events. Adjacent to the curved wall in the cafeteria, is a break room and quiet zone. Positioned next to the break room is an informal meeting area with a white board wall created for strategy and brain-storming sessions. To further incorporate and instill ACL's brand image, staggered blue wave canopies, which mirror ACL's logo, are suspended from the ceiling above the open area work space.

Additional noteworthy design aspects include executive and HR suites, boardroom, conferencing rooms, open area work spaces, private offices, cafeteria, executive cafeteria, mail center and data/server room. The newly designed headquarters was completed in November 2009 and occupied in January of this year.

The project team consisted of TSC Design providing design services, RDK Engineers providing M/E/P services, Barry Levin and Associates providing structural engineering services, WB Wood providing furniture services and Unity Construction providing construction services. ©.

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