

Consolidated Distribution Corp. breaks ground at Ridgeport Logistics Center

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JLL recently joined **Ridge Development**, the industrial development arm of Transwestern Development, and **Elion Partners** for the groundbreaking on two buildings in **Ridgeport Logistics Center** for the new headquarters of **Consolidated Distribution Corp.** (CDC).



Ridge Development president **Jim Martell**, pictured, spoke to the crowd in front of the CDC site about Ridgeport Logistics Center, a master-planned, 2,500-acre rail-served industrial park at the intersection of I-55 and Lorenzo Road in Wilmington. Positioned three miles from the entrance to the BNSF Logistics Park-Chicago in Elwood, with rail running from the Port of Los Angeles and Long Beach to Chicago, and the Union Pacific-Joliet Intermodal Terminal in Joliet, the site offers proximity to the **largest inland container port in North America**



Here's JLL's [Steve Ostrowski](#), [Dominic Carbonari](#) and [Keith Stauber](#), who market Ridgeport Logistics Center on behalf of Ridge Development and secured the lease with CDC.



CDC, a food service supply chain logistics company, will relocate from Lemont to the site above, consolidating five of its distribution locations. Facilities will include a rail-served, 111,244 square-foot freezer build-to-suit and 286,867 square feet of a 574,867 square-foot (expandable to 1,078,867 square feet) ambient distribution facility, slated for delivery in October 2015. Ridgeport's unique intermodal access and tenants like CDC will solidify the park as a **major entry point for food operations**, both refrigerated and frozen, serving the Midwest.



Pictured: JLL's **Steve Ostrowski** and **Dominic Carbonari**, Mike Rooney, Ridge Development's **Aaron Martell** and **Jim Martell**, Liston & Tsantilis's **Brian Liston** and JLL's **Keith Stauber**



Steve and Keith, kidding around in hard hats. Last year, along with Dominic, they brokered a [1.7 million square-foot lease](#) with **Michelin** tire company at Ridgeport, launching the industrial park and one of the **largest deals** Chicago has seen in the past decade. For context, the Michelin complex will be as large as nearly 30 football fields!