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DATE January 24, 2005

TO Mayor O'Neill and Members of the City Council

FROM Richard D. Steinke, Executive Director

SUBJECT Proposed Environmental Policy for the Long Beach Harbor Department

Attached for your information, is a copy of the Harbor Department's proposed Environmental Policy. This proposed policy, designed to make the Harbor Department a model port in achievable environmental improvement efforts, was discussed at the January 18, 2005, meeting of the Board of Harbor Commissioners. A resolution adopting the new "Green Port" policy will be discussed at the Board of Harbor Commissioners meeting on January 24, 2005, at 1:00 p.m.

After the Board of Harbor Commissioners adopts this policy, we will forward the policy to the appropriate City Council policy committee for further discussion and input. We encourage your participation at our upcoming Commission meeting on this issue and look forward to your input.

We hope you will find this information useful. Should you have any questions or need additional copies, please feel free to contact Carl Kemp, Director of Community Relations and Government Affairs, at (562) 590-4115.



Richard D. Steinke
Executive Director

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Attachment

1 RESOLUTION NO. HD-

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3 RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF HARBOR
4 COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH
5 ESTABLISHING A GREEN PORT POLICY
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7 WHEREAS, the Board of Harbor Commissioners of the City of Long
8 Beach wishes to establish a Green Port Policy to distinguish the Harbor Department as
9 a leader in environmental stewardship and guide its day-to-day activities; and

10 WHEREAS, the Board wishes to establish a framework to promulgate and
11 monitor the progress of the Policy; and

12 WHEREAS, any general rules and regulations that may be needed to
13 implement particular measures pursuant to the Policy will have to be adopted by
14 ordinance pursuant to Section 1206 of the City of Long Beach Charter; and

15 WHEREAS, certain implementation measures may be beyond the
16 independent jurisdiction of the Board, in which case the Board may work cooperatively
17 with applicable local, state and federal authorities.

18 NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Harbor Commissioners of the City of
19 Long Beach hereby adopts the following in furtherance of a Green Port Policy. Within
20 the limits of its jurisdiction, the Harbor Department shall endeavor in its activities to:

- 21 1. Protect the local community and the environment from harmful effects
22 of port operations.
- 23 2. Employ best available control technology to minimize environmental
24 impact and continue to explore the most advanced technology to reduce harmful
25 emissions.
- 26 3. Promote sustainability in terminal design, development and operations
27 by meeting present needs without compromising the ability of future generations to
28 meet their own needs.

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4. Distinguish the Harbor Department as a leader in environmental stewardship and compliance.

5. Engage and educate the community about harbor development projects and environmental programs.

The framework for implementation of the Green Port Policy shall include, without limitation, the following:

1. Goals shall be established and maintained for every element of the Healthy Harbor Program.
2. Specific metrics shall be developed to measure progress toward meeting the goals.
3. New aggressive environmental programs shall be developed to achieve progress toward meeting the goals.
4. Specific incentives shall be provided to promote program participation.
5. Reports shall be periodically given to the Board and the City Council detailing the measured progress toward meeting the goals.
6. Legislative proposals in support of the goals may be developed cooperatively with those local, state and federal authorities with appropriate jurisdiction.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Board of Harbor Commissioners, and the Secretary of the Board shall certify to the vote adopting this resolution and shall cause a certified copy of this resolution to be filed

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1 forthwith with the City Clerk. The City Clerk shall post the resolution in three
2 conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach.

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4 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of
5 Harbor Commissioners of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 2005
6 by the following vote:

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8 Ayes: Commissioners _____

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10 Noes: Commissioners _____

11 Absent: Commissioners _____

12 Not Voting: Commissioners _____

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