

**MAYOR BOB FOSTER**

CITY OF LONG BEACH

June 17, 2008

MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach

RECOMMENDATION:

To receive and file a report on travel to Washington, DC to participate in the Environmental Protection Agency's Eighth Annual Clean Air Excellence Awards ceremony.

DISCUSSION:

On Wednesday, May 28, I attended the Environmental Protection Agency's Eighth Annual Clean Air Excellence Awards ceremony, where the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles were honored for creating the Clean Air Action Plans, a five-year plan that outlines strategies to reduce air emissions and associated health risks from port-related sources.

The Clean Air Excellence Awards recognize and honor outstanding efforts that make progress in achieving cleaner air. The awards were established in 2000, at the recommendation of the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC), a senior-level policy group that advises EPA on implementing the Clean Air Act.

There are four categories of awards: clean air technology, community action, education/outreach, and regulatory policy innovations, with one additional special award for individual achievement.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

Handwritten signature of Bob Foster in black ink.

Mayor Bob Foster
City of Long Beach

Dated: June 2, 2008