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SEARCH UNDERWAY FOR PORT OF LOS ANGELES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

LOS ANGELES – March 6, 2014 – Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti today announced the launch of a global executive search to fill the top post at the Port of Los Angeles. Under Mayor Garcetti's direction, the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners established an ad hoc search committee to oversee the process, which is comprised of Harbor Commission President Vilma Martinez and Commission Vice President David Arian.

"The Port of Los Angeles is a critical economic driver of our region and plays a central role in L.A.'s reputation as a global city and leading Pacific Rim trade gateway," said Mayor Garcetti. "We are seeking a highly experienced and dynamic leader with a strong track record of success – a true collaborator and visionary who can lead the port's growth and international trade efforts in the years ahead."

"The Port operates in a fiercely competitive global economy and international trade arena," said Board President Martinez. "We will be searching for that uncommon executive who can embrace this dynamic and challenging environment, and help assure our continued position as the no. 1 container port in the U.S."

The highly respected executive recruitment firm Ralph Andersen & Associates has been retained to recruit and screen prospective qualified candidates. The ad hoc committee will conduct interviews and help narrow the field of candidates.

Nominations and submittals from interested candidates should be sent to heather@ralphandersen.com by Monday, April 14, 2014.

A full <u>description of the position and qualifications</u> is posted at http://www.ralphandersen.com/jobs/los_angeles executive director port of los angele s.html</u>. Constituents and business stakeholders are also invited to provide input by

taking a survey at http://www.ralphandersen.com/portofLAsurvey.html or emailing comments to portoflosangelessurvey@ralphandersen.com.

All submissions, questions and inquiries regarding the position or recruitment process will be kept confidential.

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