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**PORT OF LOS ANGELES COMMITS \$3.12 MILLION TO
16 CLEAN-AIR CUSTOMER PROJECTS**

*Latest Project Approvals Brings Total Air Quality
Mitigation Funds Commitment to \$7 Million*



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SAN PEDRO, Calif. – The Board of Harbor Commissioners this week approved spending \$3.12 million over the next year on 16 customer projects aimed at reducing air emissions. In total, over their lifetime these projects reduce NOx emissions by more than 1,000 tons, and particulate matter by nearly 30 tons.

The projects were reviewed by the Port's Technical Advisory Committee and the Port Community Advisory Committee, and the final 16 were recommended to the Board for funding consideration.

"We received more than 30 applications for project funding from our customers for consideration," said Geraldine Knatz, Port of Los Angeles executive director. "This shows the level of commitment we all have to reducing the air emissions created by Port-related operations. Working together, we can improve not only the air quality, but also the quality of life for all of us who live and work in the Port areas."

Funding for these projects comes from the Port's Air Quality Mitigation Incentive Program, created as part of a lawsuit settlement in 2003. The total amount of air quality measures that will be funded over five years is \$21 million. A balance of \$14 million remains in the fund.

The 16 funded projects are:

MARINE PROJECTS

- ◆Catalina Channel Express
engine repowering on four main and two auxiliary engines of one ferry boat

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Air Quality Projects Funded

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- ◆Foss Maritime Company
engine repowering on two main and 13 auxiliary engines on five tug boats
- ◆Sause Brothers Ocean Towing Company
repowering on two main and two auxiliary engines on two tug boats
- ◆Steve Mardesich, Sr.
repowering of the main engine on his commercial fishing boat
- ◆Arnold Lancaster
repowering of two main and two auxiliary engines on his charter dive boat

OFF ROAD VEHICLES

- ◆Marine Terminals, Corp.
use of low-sulphur fuel with purifying muffler on 17 rubber-tired gantry cranes
- ◆Seaside Transportation Services LLC
engine retrofit with purifying muffler on 14 rubber-tired gantry cranes
- ◆Terry Prouty Trucking, Inc.
engine repowering on two steel loaders
- ◆California Cartage Company
installation of diesel oxidation catalysts (DOCs) on 18 pieces of material handling equipment (UTRs)
- ◆Pick Your Part Auto Wrecking, Inc.
engine repowering on four scrap loaders
- ◆Coordinated Equipment Company
engine repowering on two pieces of loading equipment

Research & Development

- ◆Yusen Terminals, Inc.
installation of Diesel Particulate Filters (DPF) continuous regeneration trap with selective catalytic reduction
- ◆Yusen Terminals, Inc.
installation of DPF continuous regeneration trap
- ◆Pacecco and Mitsui
installation of DPF continuous regeneration trap

Air Quality Projects Funded

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- ◆Danica Diesel
water-in-fuel emulsifier

- ◆Marine Terminals, Corp.
alternative diesel fuel with diesel oxidation catalyst

The Port of Los Angeles is America's premier port and a recipient of two Environmental Protection Agency awards in 2006. As the leading container port in the nation and a critical hub in the international supply chain, the Port generates 259,000 regional jobs and \$8.4 billion in annual wages and tax revenues. A proprietary department of the City of Los Angeles, the Port is self-supporting and does not receive taxpayer dollars. High priority is placed on responsible growth initiatives combined with high security, environmental stewardship and community outreach. The Port of Los Angeles - A cleaner port. A brighter future.

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