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PORT OF LOS ANGELES COMMENTS ON TODAY'S CLEAN TRUCK PROGRAM HEARING

LOS ANGELES — **April 27, 2009** — This morning, U.S. District Judge Christina Snyder heard arguments in response to the American Trucking Associations' request for a preliminary injunction against the Port of Los Angeles' landmark Clean Truck Program. Within the next several days, Judge Snyder will issue a final decision regarding the request for a preliminary injunction. Meanwhile, a trial date to hear the full merits of the case has been set for December 15, 2009.

"For the long-term air quality benefits our Clean Truck Program delivers to every Southern Californian, we are confident that Judge Snyder will weigh into her deliberations the Program's phenomenal success to date," said Port Executive Director Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D. "In its entirety, our Clean Truck Program is designed to ensure that our port truck system remains clean, safe and secure well into the future."

The Port of Los Angeles launched the Clean Truck Program on October 1st, 2008, which banned trucks manufactured before 1989 from hauling cargo to and from terminals at the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. In the first six months of the program, pollution at the port complex has been reduced by 23 percent. When fully implemented in 2012, it's anticipated that the Clean Trucks Program will have reduced port truck pollution by more than 80 percent.

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