

PORT OF LOS ANGELES CONTAINER TRAFFIC FOR SEPTEMBER 2001

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SAN PEDRO (CA) – The Port of Los Angeles handled 484,654 TEUs during the month of September, up almost 15% as compared to September 2000. (TEUs stands for 20-foot equivalent units, maritime terminology used when counting marine cargo containers of varying lengths.) Imports totaled 267,579 TEUs, compared to 220,572 in a year-to-year comparison, an increase of 21%. Likewise, exports showed an increase of 4% with the movement of 81,806 TEUs. Overall, imports and exports increased almost 17% with 349,385 TEUs as compared to September 2000 with 299,112 TEUs.

Larry Keller, executive director for the Port, commented "In the aftermath of the tragic events of September 11 and the military actions which have followed, we are hopeful that our shipping activities can help to bolster the global economy. The September statistics reflect cargo already in the logistics pipeline and we are doing all that we can to continue to move cargo safely and efficiently to consumers for the approaching holiday season." Calendar year figures indicate a 5.5% overall increase in cargo container movement with 3.7 million TEUs. Fiscal year figures to date (July – September) show 1.4 million TEUs, a 6.5% increase over last year.

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