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(SAN PEDRO, CA) – The Port of Los Angeles today reconfirmed its commitment to the environment and its policy of no-net increase in air emissions. Holding a joint press conference with Chevron, the Port announced the use of a Chevron-produced new lower-emissions diesel fuel, Proformix, at the Port of Los Angeles.

“The Port has a long history of environmental stewardship,” commented Nicholas Tonsich, Harbor Commission President. “The Port is committed to Mayor Hahn’s ‘No-Net Increase’ policy for air emissions. The use of this new diesel fuel could reduce PM10 emissions by as much as 50% is just one the many ways the Port is working to support the Mayor’s policy and better the environment,” concluded Tonsich.

Other environmental programs in operation at the Port include: partnering with steamship companies in voluntary, clean-air operations; converting 35% of its fleet to electric or alternative fuel vehicles; purchasing an alternative fuel vehicle specifically as a demonstration piece of equipment to be loaned to Port customers so they may try the technology before committing to a purchase; the “Voluntary Cargo Ship Speed Reduction” program, which will reduce three tons of smog forming emissions per day; and numerous infrastructure improvements.

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“The Port of Los Angeles will do what it takes to reduce air emissions,” stated Port Executive Director Larry Keller. “We are constantly seeking out new technologies and programs which will help our efforts. We are glad to be able to add new-generation products such as Proformix to the list of environmental initiatives in use at the Port,” concluded Keller.

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