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**PORT OF LOS ANGELES CLEAN TRUCK PROGRAM HAS  
ENOUGH TRUCKS TO KEEP CARGO MOVING DURING THE  
PEAK HOLIDAY SHIPPING SEASON**

***Limited-time Incentives for Carriers Using 2007 EPA-Compliant Trucks Will  
Bring Immediate and Significant Emissions Reductions***

**SAN PEDRO, Calif. – Sept. 5, 2008** – A steady increase of Clean Truck Program concession applications will ensure that enough trucks will be in service to handle the peak holiday shipping season at the Port of Los Angeles, the nation's number one container port.

The Port has received concession applications from more than 120 Licensed Motor Carriers (LMCs) representing a collective pool of more than 8,000 trucks that can be deployed into the Port of Los Angeles drayage system during 2009. More than 5,400 trucks will be ready to serve the Port on the October 1, 2008 start date of the Clean Truck Program. As many as 700 of those trucks will be compliant with 2007 federal emissions standards – an emissions reduction factor well ahead of progressive truck ban deadlines, yielding an immediate and significant reduction of port truck emissions. Within the next year, more than 2,000 trucks in the Port of Los Angeles' Clean Truck Program will be 2007 EPA-compliant.

“We achieve a reduction of 814 tons of nitrogen oxide emissions in the first year of the program, compared with 184 tons” achieved without the incentives the Port recently approved to attract carriers with 2007-compliant trucks, said Knatz. The early infusion of 2007-compliant trucks will also yield a 48-ton reduction in particulate emissions – three times the original estimate of 18 tons during the first year of the five-year program. The Port's Clean Truck Program and a concessionaire-based program at neighboring Port of Long Beach will reduce port truck emissions by roughly 80-percent within the next five years.

In the coming days, the Port will start posting the growing list of concession applicants. Applications received to date reflect a mix of small and large firms, with 34 LMCs operating fleets of 10 trucks or less in size, 61 LMCs operating fleets of 11 to 50 trucks, and a dozen LMCs operating fleets of 51 to 100 trucks. The balance of applicants -- less than 25 LMCs at present -- report operating fleets of 100+ trucks.

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## **Port of Los Angeles Clean Truck Program Update 2-2-2**

Two weeks ago, Phoenix-based national carriers Swift Transportation, Inc., and Knight Transportation submitted letters of intent to become Port concessionaires. Port incentives designed to encourage the deployment of 2007-compliant trucks have now attracted 12 additional carriers who have signaled their interest in becoming concessionaires with 2007-compliant trucks in operation on October 1. These 12 companies operate fleets as small as eight trucks and as large as 450 trucks.

“The incentive program has served as a catalyst for attracting carriers with the cleanest, safest trucks on the road,” said Deputy Executive Director John Holmes, the Clean Truck Program project manager. “Time is of the essence, so carriers should take immediate action if they want to take advantage of the program.”

Both ports strongly encourage LMCs to register all trucks -- LMC-owned or independent owner-operated -- into the Drayage Truck Registry that is now available online at [www.portoflosangeles.org](http://www.portoflosangeles.org) and also ensure that their drivers have TWIC security credentials.

Licensed motor carriers who want more information about the Port of Los Angeles Clean Truck Program can visit [www.portoflosangeles.org/cleantrucks](http://www.portoflosangeles.org/cleantrucks). LMCs seeking concession or truck grant application assistance can also call a Port representative at 1-888-KLN-POLA, or visit the Clean Trucks Center at Pier S Avenue and New Dock Street on Terminal Island.

### ***About the Port of Los Angeles***

The Port of Los Angeles, also known as “America’s Port,” has a strong commitment to developing innovative strategic and sustainable operations that benefit the economy and the quality of life for the region and the nation it serves. A recipient of numerous environmental awards, including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s 2007 Clean Air Excellence Award, the Port of Los Angeles is committed to innovating cleaner, greener ways of doing business. As the leading seaport in North America in terms of shipping container volume and cargo value, the Port generates 919,000 regional jobs and \$39.1 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. The Port of Los Angeles - A cleaner port. A brighter future.

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