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OPEN HOUSE TO FOCUS ON ENVIRONMENT

Event on Oct. 1 to Feature Exhibits, Free Harbor Cruises

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The Port of Long Beach is hosting a Green Port Open House on Saturday, Oct. 1, to showcase its wide-ranging environmental protection policy. Featuring exhibits, demonstrations and free environmental harbor cruises, the Open House will be held from 9 a.m. to noon in front of the Port Administration Building, 925 Harbor Plaza.

The Open House will provide an interactive opportunity for the public to learn about the Port's groundbreaking Green Port Policy – a sweeping new framework for how the port is addressing environmental impacts and changing the very way it does business. There will be more than 25 exhibits, booths and displays, including presentations on the Port's air, traffic, water, soil/ sediments, wildlife habitat, community engagement and sustainability programs.

A free 45-minute harbor cruise will take visitors out on the water to see many of the Port's environmental programs in action. Demonstrations will provide a look at clean air technology. There will be a playground of clean-burning Port vehicles and equipment. Visitors will be able to use high-tech instruments to identify polluted soil and water samples in mini-laboratories or tour the Mobile Command Unit to see the Port's newest security efforts.

Also, the Open House will highlight "sustainability" programs such as conservation or recycling efforts that the public can implement at home. Attendees will be able to dispose of their old electronics gear at our Ease-E-Waste Recycling Station.

Festivities are planned for the entire family. There will be entertainment, free food and activities for children.

WHAT: Green Port Open House

WHY: Showcase Port environmental programs

WHEN: 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Oct. 1

WHERE: Port Administration Building, 925 Harbor Plaza, Long Beach

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