



## **ICTF Board Meeting Set for April 22** **Agenda includes UP presentation on modernization project**

April 9, 2008

LONG BEACH, Calif. – The Intermodal Container Transfer Facility (ICTF) Joint Powers Authority (JPA) will hold its next board meeting at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 22 at the Silverado Park Social Hall, located at 1545 W. 31st Street in Long Beach.

The agenda will include a presentation from Union Pacific Railroad on their proposed ICTF modernization project. The meeting is open to the public and attendees are welcome to address the Board during the comment period.

Prior to the Board meeting, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., representatives from Union Pacific will be onsite to discuss the proposed modernization project and answer the public's questions. The JPA has accepted the project application and deemed it complete but has not directed staff to proceed with preparation of a project EIR. While a decision to proceed with an EIR for the proposed project is not on the April 22 JPA Board agenda, the UP presentation and public input will provide the Board with valuable information on whether and how to proceed.

Union Pacific submitted to the JPA an Application for Development (ADP) to modernize the ICTF. The proposed modernization will include the construction of additional working rail tracks, the construction of a new gate facility, the improvement of existing gate facilities, and additional parking.

The proposed modernization project would more than double the throughput capacity of the ICTF from 725,000 to 1.5 million containers per year. The proposed project would incorporate a number of environmental improvements including the use of electric overhead cranes, cleaner hostling tractors, and ultra low emissions locomotives. The ADP was reviewed by the JPA and staff from the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach and determined to be complete. This determination was presented to the JPA Governing Board at the Board's February 15, 2008 meeting.

The ICTF JPA is a public entity created in 1983 to oversee the development and operation of the ICTF. This entity is administered by a governing board and is separate and apart from the Cities of Long Beach and Los Angeles. The ICTF serves to enhance the efficient flow of intermodal (truck and rail) cargo through the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) and the Port Long Beach (POLB). The Facility is located approximately 5 miles from POLA and POLB, at the northern terminus of State Highway 103. The ICTF consists of approximately 148 acres of POLA owned property and is operated by Union Pacific via a

sublease from the JPA. Approximately 90 additional acres are owned by, or leased to, Union Pacific within the City of Carson adjacent to the main ICTF facility.

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