



## News Release

# Ports to Respond to FMC Request for Information Clean Trucks Program to move forward as scheduled

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The Port of Long Beach learned today, September 12, 2008, that the Federal Maritime Commission is seeking additional information as part of its review of an agreement that allows the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles to discuss and cooperate on environmental initiatives such as the Clean Trucks Program, set to start October 1.

The ports will review the FMC request for additional information and respond promptly. The Clean Trucks Program to ban on old, polluting trucks, and the overall concession program to require clean trucks and tighter security will go forward as scheduled.

The FMC request comes just weeks before the ports are to begin their Clean Trucks Program, and after the ports have provided the FMC with unprecedented levels of information regarding the ports' various clean air programs over the past year.

As a federal court ruled earlier this week, in an American Trucking Association lawsuit against the Clean Trucks Program, needless delay of the Clean Trucks Program would cause serious harm to the public interest. The ports will continue to move swiftly to ensure that October 1 sees an immediate and substantial improvement in the air quality, safety and security in the Ports and the surrounding neighborhoods and region. The ports will keep the FMC apprised of their progress.

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