Clean Truck Fee Update

Overview

The Port of Long Beach has established a Clean Truck Fee on container cargo trucked into and out of the port as part of its Clean Trucks Program to reduce truck-related air pollution 80 percent by 2012. The fee, assessed to the beneficial cargo owner, generates revenue needed to help truck owners replace the aging heavy-duty vehicles that do not meet Clean Trucks Program emissions standards.

The Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners has approved modifications in the Clean Truck Fee to spur private investment in the program, as well as sustain the assistance system for truck owners who need subsidies to replace their vehicles. The changes will also serve to streamline the system for the industry.

Clean Truck Fee is charged:

- If a truck is 2006 or older
- If a truck is a clean-diesel vehicle financed by the Clean Trucks Program if financing for the truck was arranged after April 20, 2009

No fee is charged:

- If a truck is privately financed, 2007 or newer
- If a truck is fueled by liquefied natural gas (LNG), whether privately purchased or financed by the Clean Trucks Program
- If a truck is a clean-diesel vehicle financed by the Clean Trucks Program if financing for the truck was arranged on or before April 20, 2009
- If a truck was acquired through the Gateway Cities program
- If cargo is moved by on-dock rail