

SAN PEDRO BAY PORTS CLEAN AIR ACTION PLAN

March 28, 2024

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer
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Re: South Coast Air Quality Management District Climate Pollution Reduction Grant proposal,
INVEST CLEAN

Dear Executive Officer Nastri:

The Port of Los Angeles and Port of Long Beach (Ports) are pleased to express our commitment and support for the regional U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) application led by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD). The Infrastructure, Vehicles, and Equipment Strategy for Climate Equity, Air Quality, and National Competitiveness (INVEST CLEAN) project aligns with the Ports' efforts to support the transition towards a sustainable, low-carbon future.

INVEST CLEAN is a transformational all-of-government initiative in partnership with industry, labor, and communities aimed at overcoming barriers to transitioning the Southern California goods movement ecosystem to zero-emission technologies. This project targets issues such as inadequate charging infrastructure, high cost of medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment, and scarcity of real-world deployments to demonstrate zero-emission technologies. These challenges are felt strongly at the Ports, where we have the goal of transforming terminal operations to zero emission by 2030 and a goal of zero emission drayage trucks entering and exiting the terminals by 2035, as adopted by the San Pedro Bay Ports in our 2017 Clean Air Action Plan Update.

The Ports are especially supportive of the prioritization of charging infrastructure along goods-movement corridors in Southern California, as this region will be the test bed for the deployment of zero-emission Class 8 trucks at scale. There are only a handful of public chargers in the South Coast region to support drayage today, almost all of which are located at the Ports. While more infrastructure projects are currently underway, these deployments are severely inadequate to support the 20,000+ drayage trucks that visit the two Ports, which will be the first in the State to start transitioning to zero emission as a result of the California Air Resources Board Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation. It is paramount that these fleets serving the Ports are successful in their transition, as failure could lead to spikes in supply chain disruptions and



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The San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan was developed with the participation and cooperation of the staff of the US Environmental Protection Agency, California Air Resources Board and the South Coast Air Quality Management District.

would shake fleet confidence in zero-emission trucks nationwide. By investing in charging infrastructure and thereby accelerating the deployment of zero emission drayage trucks, INVEST CLEAN will play a critical role in alleviating significant air pollution and global warming emissions associated with heavy-duty vehicles, providing benefits to the disadvantaged communities of color that surround the San Pedro Bay Ports.

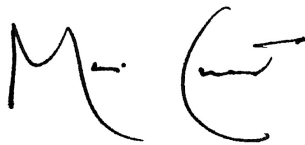
To further demonstrate our commitment to zero-emission drayage, and to support the South Coast AQMD in their application, the Port of Los Angeles and Port of Long Beach each commits to providing up to \$5 million in Clean Truck Fund Rate dollars to support charging stations awarded under this application, contingent upon the stations meeting the following requirements:

- The charging stations are sited along a corridor with known drayage traffic (e.g., the I-710 between Long Beach and Los Angeles);
- The charging stations are designed to serve drayage trucks carrying a container on a trailer; and
- The operator can demonstrate that drayage trucks registered in the San Pedro Bay Ports Drayage Truck Registry will utilize the site, whether through direct contracts with drayage fleets or through another Port-approved mechanism.

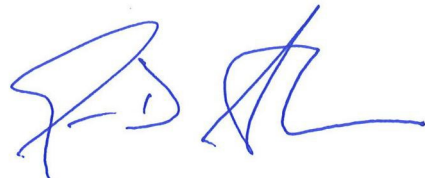
Award of the Ports' funding to support stations will be subject to Port staff review of project proposals submitted to the South Coast AQMD through the solicitation process defined in the INVEST CLEAN application. Awards will also be contingent upon each Port's Board of Harbor Commissioners' approval at a future date. We believe our Clean Truck Fund Rate dollars will be instrumental in ensuring adequate public subsidy to drayage-serving charging stations, particularly those that may need significant infrastructure upgrades from the utility, and in expanding the number of chargers within the charging stations along this goods-movement corridor, thereby increasing the impact of U.S. EPA funds.

The Ports would like to thank U.S. EPA for its consideration and support for INVEST CLEAN. Should you have any questions regarding this letter of commitment, please reach out to Morgan Caswell, Manager of Air Quality Practices, at Morgan.Caswell@polb.com, or Jacob Goldberg, Marine Environmental Supervisor, at JGoldberg@portla.org.

Sincerely,



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