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## **COMMENTS BY PMSA PRESIDENT JOHN MCLAURIN ON PORT OF LOS ANGELES EMISSIONS INVENTORY**

**LONG BEACH, CALIF.** John McLaurin, president of the Pacific Merchant Shipping Association, issued the following comments in response to the Port of Los Angeles' latest emissions inventory numbers:

“The Port of Los Angeles' latest emissions inventory numbers continue to demonstrate the dramatic and ongoing success in reducing emissions. This reduction is a result of cooperative efforts between marine terminals, truckers and the ports, regulatory compliance and introduction of innovative technology. Reductions will continue in the future, but additional air quality improvements must balance cost with effectiveness to preserve the one-in-nine jobs in the Southern California area that are dependent on a competitive port.”

“From 2006 to 2016, we've seen a combined 96 percent reduction in diesel particulate emissions from cargo-handling equipment and trucks,” added McLaurin. “The draft Clean Air Action Plan envisions spending at least \$14-billion to achieve the remaining 4 percent - a mind boggling number that neither ports nor their customers can afford to pay.”

### **About PMSA**

The Pacific Merchant Shipping Association (PMSA) is an independent, not-for-profit association focused on global trade. PMSA operates offices in Oakland, Long Beach and Seattle, and represents owners and operators of marine terminals and U.S. and foreign vessels operating throughout the world. To learn more about the PMSA visit [www.pmsaship.com](http://www.pmsaship.com).

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