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**STATEMENT OF PMSA PRESIDENT JOHN McLAURIN  
REGARDING THE CLEAN AIR ACTION PLAN**

We appreciate the work of Los Angeles and Long Beach Port Commission and staff, who listened to and, in some cases, addressed the Pacific Merchant Shipping Association's concerns about the Clean Air Action Plan.

Progress was made in some key areas, specifically if the ports were to mandate a technology that has not yet been developed, tested, or made commercially available.

Our concerns remain about the CAAP's \$14 billion cost and its potential negative impacts on port competitiveness and the one in nine jobs in the Southern California region that are reliant on the ports.

As the CAAP is implemented, it will take open, honest and collaborative dialogue by all parties to address the feasibility of zero-emission cargo-handling equipment and to examine the ports ability to compete with other North American trade gateways.

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