Dear Friends:

Below find the first edition of a Ports Indirect Source (ISR) Rule 2304 newsletter. Our goal is simple – to keep those groups and individuals who have expressed interest and/or concerns about the Ports ISR updated on key developments.

**SCAQMD's Mobile Source Committee Moves Back Ports ISR**

At Friday, September 15th, Mobile Source Committee, South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) staff detailed a revised rule schedule which delays the proposed rule by 6 months. The new schedule envisions the release of draft regulatory language in Q4 2023 and a vote on Rule 2304, in Q2 2024. SCAQMD staff admitted that the Ports ISR is a “difficult rule” because the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach are a “complex emissions source” and an “economic engine for the state.” He added that various groups had raised significant concerns about SCAQMD’s preliminary concept – which called for a cargo cap. Thank you to all the organizations for your advocacy.

Testifying at the meeting, PMSA Vice President Thomas Jelenic highlighted PMSA’s opposition to the ISR concept as advanced by SCAQMD staff in its entirety. If approved, the ISR will cripple both the Port of Los Angeles and Long Beach, cause economic harm to the California economy and cause significant job losses due to the cap on cargo. Click [here](#) to read our coalition letter.
Success! Emissions from San Pedro Bay Ports Continue to Decline

The San Pedro Bay ports (Port of LA and Long Beach) together saw steep and dramatic air emission reductions in 2022; combined numbers reveal drops of 90% for diesel particulate matter (DPM), 97% for sulfur oxides (SOx), 63% for nitrogen oxides (NOx) and equally remarkable declines for other emission categories, compared to the baseline year of 2005.

Reductions were captured across all port sources, including ocean-going vessels, cargo handling equipment and trucks. Notably, the San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan (CAAP) emission reduction targets have been met ahead of schedule.

Let’s Get Social:
With your help, we were successful in pressuring the SCAQMD to delay publication of a draft rule and, ultimately, a Board vote on a Ports ISR. But we need your on-going support. Below are a couple of posts that we would like you to share on your social media platforms. Remember to use the #NoCargoCap and #NoPortsISR hashtags so we can track all published posts.

@SouthCoastAQMD responded to statewide pressure about the #PortsISR and its negative economic and employment impacts by delaying the Rule’s release. More than 110 national, state & local groups opposed the ISR. #NoCargoCap #NoPortsISR

Both @PortofLA and @PortofLongBeach are making significant progress on emissions reductions - 90% for diesel particulate matter (DPM), 97% for sulfur oxides (SOx), 63% for nitrogen oxides (NOx)! A true success story of business working with the Ports and regulators to make progress. #NoPortsISR #NoCargoCap

If you know of anyone who should be added to this newsletter, please have them reach out to Natasha Villa at nvilla@pmsaship.com.