



## **Hankla to Address International Conference on Ports**

**Long Beach officials to attend Stockholm summit June 23-26**

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Long Beach Harbor Commission President-elect James C. Hankla will speak on the Port of Long Beach's Clean Trucks Program at the 11th Annual International Conference on Cities and Ports in Stockholm, Sweden, on Wednesday, June 25, 2008.

The conference, from June 23-26, will focus on the efforts of ports worldwide to address environmental issues and achieve sustainability while continuing to enhance trade. The Port of Long Beach will spread the word of its Green Port Policy and environmental programs at the conference.

Joining Commissioner Hankla in representing the Port of Long Beach will be Vice President Mike Walter and Commissioner Doris Topsy-Elvord. Executive Officer to the Board Alex Cherin and Government Affairs Director Samara Ashley will also attend.

Hankla was invited to speak at the conference for the "Innovating in the Management of Environment" seminar. He will discuss the Port of Long Beach's Clean Trucks Program – an ambitious effort to replace or retrofit thousands of port trucks by 2012 to achieve a dramatic 80 percent reduction in air pollution.

Hankla was recently selected as incoming Board President and will start his term on July 1, 2008.

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