

## **Hankla to Address American Port Leaders**

### **Commission President, Port Executive Director to speak at L.B. shipping conference**

November 12, 2008

Harbor Commission President James C. Hankla will deliver the opening keynote address at the annual TOC Americas event, which will bring together top seaport industry professionals from North, Central and South America at the Long Beach Convention Center November 18-20, 2008.

In addition, Port of Long Beach Executive Director Richard D. Steinke will lead a panel discussion on environmental challenges in the seaport industry.

It is the 9th year of the TOC (Terminal Operations Conference) Americas event and the first time it has been on the U.S. West Coast. The event is considered a premiere conference in the shipping, port and marine terminal industry, bringing together influential decision-makers to discuss current issues.

Hankla will kick off the conference with a keynote address on Tuesday, November 18. Steinke's session on the environment will be later that day.

The Port of Long Beach is one of the primary event co-sponsors. For conference information: <http://www.tocevents-americas.com/>.

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