



News Release

Alex Cherin Recommended for Top Trade Post Board Executive Officer emerges as leading candidate

April 17, 2009



Alex H. Cherin, the executive officer to the Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners, has been recommended by Port of Long Beach Executive Director Richard Steinke for appointment as the Port's Managing Director of Trade Relations and Port Operations. The Board of Harbor Commissioners will consider the appointment at the board's regularly scheduled meeting Monday, April 20, 2009.

The Managing Director oversees the Port's Trade Relations and Port Operations Bureau, which includes the Communications, Trade Relations, Security and Maintenance divisions. He will report to Deputy Executive Director J. Christopher Lytle, the former Managing Director of Trade Relations and Port Operations.

"Alex has done a terrific job with the Harbor Commission, and with his municipal government and maritime industry experience he will be of tremendous addition to the Port's executive management team," said Steinke.

Cherin, Executive Officer to the Harbor Commission since 2007, has provided leadership with the mitigation for the Middle Harbor Redevelopment Project, coordinated and participated in high-level meetings with Port customers throughout the world, and supported the Port's Clean Trucks Program.

Cherin, a former City of Long Beach Assistant City Auditor, has a Bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Michigan and a Juris Doctor degree from Loyola Law School. His management experience includes serving as Senior Legal Counsel of Maritime and International Trade Law for Flynn, Delich and Wise, LLP.

Contact: Art Wong, Port of Long Beach Assistant Director of Communications/Public Information Officer, (562) 590-4123, (562) 619-5665 (cell), or wong@polb.com.