



## News Release

### **EPA Grants \$4 million for Port Air Quality Projects New EPA administrator, governor, mayor gather at the Port**

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency visited the Port of Long Beach on Thursday, October 1, to announce \$26.5 million in diesel exhaust reduction grants in the state, including a \$4 million air quality grant to the Port of Long Beach.

Long Beach Mayor Bob Foster welcomed EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson and Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and other dignitaries to the event, held near the docks of the ITS terminal.

"Reducing diesel emissions from goods movement is a primary goal of our Green Port Policy and Clean Air Action Plan," said Mayor Foster. "And we're already ahead of schedule. Through the hard work of the Port of Long Beach, our terminals and our many shipping industry partners, we've made some incredible progress in just a few short years."

Thursday also marked the first anniversary of the Port's [Clean Trucks Program](#), which has already replaced 5,000 older, dirty trucks with newer models that are 80 percent cleaner.

For Long Beach, the EPA's \$4,008,250 grant will pay for a large-scale diesel project involving the replacement, repowering or retrofitting of 112 pieces of cargo-handling equipment including rubber-tired gantry cranes, and two harbor craft.

For more information, see the [EPA's press release](#).

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