

RESOLUTION NO. _____

Resolution of the Board of Harbor Commissioners regarding implementation of the Port of Los Angeles' Intermodal Rail Policy.

WHEREAS, The Board of Harbor Commissioners desires to increase the use of the Alameda Corridor which provides for the efficient transportation of cargo between the San Pedro Bay Ports and inland destinations in the most environmentally beneficial way.

WHEREAS, the Port of Los Angeles handled 7.1 million TEU's (twenty foot equivalent units) in 2003 of which approximately 50 percent was intermodal rail cargo.

WHEREAS, The Port of Los Angeles' intermodal rail cargo volume is projected to exceed the capacity of the existing intermodal rail facilities by 1.7 million TEU's by 2010.

WHEREAS, the Port desires to accommodate the demands of future growth in a manner consistent with Mayor Hahn's "No Net Increase" policy initiative by providing for sufficient rail facilities to help eliminate truck trips and provide for congestion relief associated with containerized cargo and by considering any impacts associated with any new rail initiatives or projects arising out of this rail policy.

WHEREAS, the Port supports the air quality attainment goals of the California Air Resources Board by emission reduction initiatives directed at both trucks and trains.

WHEREAS, the Port supports the continued use and future expansion of the Red Car Line as a passenger rail system that is consistent with attainment of emission reduction initiatives.

WHEREAS, the Board of Harbor Commissioners finds that it would benefit the carriers, shippers, and terminal operators to provide additional intermodal rail capability and desires to work cooperatively with the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority to implement required near-dock rail facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board finds it necessary to implement a rail policy that encourages the increased use of rail and provides for on-dock and/or near-dock facilities for both existing and future containerized cargo that includes the following:

1. Provides for on-dock and comparable near-dock intermodal facilities for shippers, carriers, terminal operators, and Class I Railroads.
2. Ensures all Port customers are utilizing on-dock intermodal rail to the fullest extent feasibly possible.
3. Ensures sufficient rail capacity is maintained to increase rail usage, meet future demand, and adapt to evolving intermodal rail operations.
4. Provides the opportunity to direct local movements of cargo from truck to rail.

5. Encourage Port customers to pool container cargo and share on-dock and near-dock rail facilities to the fullest extent feasible.

For purposes of this Resolution, the following definitions apply:

1. Intermodal Rail: refers to any movement of containerized cargo by rail.
2. Near-Dock Intermodal: refers to rail yards located within five miles of the port complex.
3. On-Dock Intermodal: refers to railyards located on port container terminals.
4. Off-Dock Intermodal: refers to railyards located greater than five miles from the port complex.
5. Class I Railroads: An operating railroad whose annual revenue meets or exceeds the current Class I threshold of \$250 million of operating revenue for three consecutive years, as determined by the Surface Transportation Board.

In order to carry out this policy, staff is directed to:

- 1) Commence the planning, environmental assessment, site selection and, preliminary design for expanded intermodal rail facilities.
- 2) Develop measures that reduce air emissions from rail operations in a manner consistent with Mayor Hahn's "No Net Increase" policy initiative.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Harbor Commissioners at its meeting held

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AUDREY H. YAMAKI
Board Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM

_____, 2004

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