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TraPac becomes first California terminal operator to join Green Marine

Los Angeles, CA, July 8, 2020 – TraPac Los Angeles, a container terminal featuring state-of-the-art facilities and technologies at the Port of Los Angeles is Green Marine’s newest participant and the first terminal operator in California to join the voluntary environmental program for North America’s maritime industry.

With terminals in Los Angeles, Oakland and Jacksonville, TraPac LLC is a sustainability pioneer that already shares Green Marine’s focus on continuous improvement. TraPac’s Los Angeles terminal was the first North American container terminal to be fully automated and the first in the world to offer an automated on-dock rail facility. “Our automated cargo handling equipment reduces emissions of particulate matter and NOx by more than 99% and GHG emissions by over 90% per TEU when compared to competing terminals,” noted CEO Stephen Edwards.

“We are determined to continue improving our environmental performance, and participating in a rigorous and transparent environmental initiative such as Green Marine complements the sustainable development approach adopted by TraPac,” adds Edwards.

Green Marine is delighted to welcome a major sustainability leader within the industry. “TraPac’s commitment to the environment is exemplary,” stated David Bolduc, Green Marine’s executive director. “Having this champion of innovation as a participant will no doubt enhance Green Marine’s knowledge pool to continually improve maritime transportation’s overall sustainability.”

TraPac has implemented a number of programs and technologies at its Los Angeles terminal to mitigate vessel emissions, including automated straddle carriers – low-emission hybrid-electric vehicles that move containers between the waterside transfer area, container stacks, the U.S. Customs radiation scanner and the on-dock rail area. Alternative maritime power (AMP) and bonnet capture (a system for ships that are not equipped for shore power) permits every single vessel calling at TraPac to shut down its auxiliary engines while at berth to reduce pollutants, greenhouse gases and noise.

The Green Marine environmental program addresses a number of environmental priority issues through its 13 performance indicators, including greenhouse gases, air emissions, leak and spill prevention, waste management, and underwater noise. Some indicators apply to landside operations and others to shipping activities. The certification process is rigorous and transparent, with the results independently verified every two years and the individual performance of each participant made public annually.

About TraPac (Los Angeles)

Started in 1985, TraPac LLC is transforming the global shipping industry by making strategic investments in technology and services that provide unparalleled premium services to its customers. The innovations that TraPac is pioneering are setting new standards for efficiency, security, safety and environmental protection throughout the industry. TraPac's Los Angeles terminal became the first facility on the U.S. West Coast to introduce the automation of loading/unloading operations.

Green Marine overview

Founded in 2007, Green Marine's North American environmental certification program is the result of a voluntary effort by the shipping industry to go beyond regulations. More than 145 ship owners, port authorities, terminal operators, and shipyard managers throughout Canada and the United States are participants. The Green Marine program's unique character derives from the support it receives from environmental, scientific and government organizations. More than 75 supporters help to shape and revise the program. www.green-marine.org

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