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**\*\*\*Harbor Trucking Association Responds to Adoption of Advanced Clean Fleets Rule \*\*\***

**Long Beach, CA-** On April 28, 2023, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) adopted the Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation which is slated to impact thousands of Drayage trucks operating at California maritime gateways.

The rule will require all new trucks entering port service to be equipped with Zero Emissions drivetrains beginning January 1, 2024.

“This is a historic measure, but unfortunately the regulation is more aspirational than reality based.” observed Matt Schrap, CEO of the Harbor Trucking Association.

The Advanced Clean Fleets Rule or ACF, is part of a larger strategy by the state of California to transform the transportation industry to zero emissions, a goal shared by the current Governor Gavin Newsom and his predecessor, former Governor, Jerry Brown. “No one in our industry has said we can’t get there, but the timelines contained in the rule are too much, too fast”, commented Schrap.

“If we want to see sustainable emission reductions that are meant to protect the health of local communities, we will need a more targeted approach that truly takes into account the woeful lack of fueling infrastructure for heavy duty ZEVs along with the technical limitations of the available equipment.”

The State of California estimates that 157,000 medium and heavy-duty chargers are needed to support the deployment across the state by 2030. This equates to almost 400 chargers being installed and brought online each week to meet this target.

“There are plenty of providers out there trying to come up with solutions to help fleets transition, but no one can say with a straight face that we are ready for a mandate that begins in less than 8 months.”

“The challenges faced by drayage operators are operational in nature,” said Schrap. “It is not about picking ‘profits over health’ or choosing ‘corporate America over community benefits’ as many of the proponents of this rule would assert”, he continued.

“These challenges are about unrealistic timelines that cannot be supported by the existing infrastructure, period.”

**About HTA:** *The Harbor Trucking Association is the nation’s leading drayage-specific trade association actively serving America’s supply-chain professionals. Our mission is to represent the interests of and provide services to intermodal and drayage companies and related entities by advocating, educating, and promoting strategies with other goods movement stakeholders and policy makers that will sustain emission reductions, provide a dialog for intermodal truck efficiency, and protect the economic vitality of cargo and jobs.*

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