



San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan (CAAP) Air Quality Excellence Awards



2010 CAAP Award Nomination Application

Introduction

The landmark Clean Air Action Plan (CAAP) was adopted by the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles in November 2006, with the aim of reducing port-related air emissions by at least 45 percent in five years. Achieving these CAAP emission reduction goals will take continuing partnership and collaboration between the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles, their tenants, and other port operators.

Port operators who are actively participating in the implementation of strategies to meet the CAAP goals are making a remarkable contribution to the program's success. In addition, those port operators who go above and beyond meeting CAAP requirements are bringing the ports closer to realizing the five-year emissions reduction goals. The CAAP Air Quality Excellence Awards (CAAP Awards) Program recognizes exemplary efforts of port operators who go beyond CAAP requirements and goals.

Eligibility

Nominations are solicited from port tenants operating at either the Port of Long Beach or the Port of Los Angeles, and other operators that serve the ports (e.g. shipping lines, trucking companies, rail operators) that, in 2009, have demonstrated a strong commitment to reducing air pollutant emissions from port-related sources beyond CAAP compliance levels. Only port tenants and other operators that serve the ports are eligible for this program; technology vendors are not eligible.

Award Categories

Awards may be offered for the following categories:

- Air Quality Improvement Leadership at the Corporate Level
- Innovative Air Quality Improvement Technologies
- Innovative Operations that Improve Air Quality
- Significant Early Action to Reduce Air Pollutant Emissions

The ports reserve the right to reclassify a nomination to a better suited category. In addition, the ports may select a nomination that does not fit one of the above categories if the nominee's actions resulted in a significant air quality improvement benefit.

Judging and Award Criteria

All awards will be evaluated for efforts conducted during calendar year 2009 to improve air quality. The general selection criteria listed below are intended to provide guidance as to the types of information for each category that will be considered when selecting awardees. A wide range of projects and programs are expected to be nominated. The ports encourage those submitting nominations to discuss all criteria that apply to their project/program. Nominations will be judged on a point system. The award selection criteria and the number of points possible are summarized for each category.

The ports encourage applicants to read about the previous award winners to get a sense of the types of projects honored. Information about past winners can be found at www.cleanairactionplan.org.

Air Quality Improvement Leadership at the Corporate Level

This award recognizes companies whose commitment to improving air quality spans all levels of the organization. Companies may demonstrate this commitment through written policies or plans; partnerships with other companies, agencies or organizations; participation in technology demonstrations; financial investments in air quality projects; and leadership in emissions reductions. The best nominees will incorporate all of the following elements into their corporate commitment:

- Demonstration of organization commitment to air quality improvements (*40 points*)
- Accomplishment of stated goals with quantitative data if possible (*15 points*)
- Demonstration of effective collaboration/partnership with staff and project partners to improve air quality (*15 points*)
- Clean air program resulted in meaningful change in attitude and actions within the organization (*15 points*)
- Corporate leadership promotes sustainability of efforts to reduce air pollution and achieve continued emissions reductions (*15 points*)

Innovative Air Quality Improvement Technologies

This award recognizes companies that played an integral role in the demonstration, commercialization and/or implementation of a clean air technology. This category may include companies participating in the Technology Advancement Program and will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Innovation and uniqueness of technology (i.e. equipment, alternative fuels, etc.) to reduce air pollution (*25 points*)
- Direct/indirect air pollutant emissions reductions with focus on diesel particulate matter, oxides of nitrogen, and oxides of sulfur (*25 points*)
- Demonstration through quantitative data that the project outcomes were effectively measured and evaluated (*15 points*)

- Cost-effectiveness of the project (long-term cost per ton of air emissions reduced) *(15 points)*
- Innovative technology can be applied to other similar port sources, or across port source categories *(20 points)*

Innovative Operations that Improve Air Quality

This award recognizes companies that have made operational changes resulting in air emissions reductions. Such changes do not require the use of specialized technology to attain emissions reduction, and they may not require additional costs. Examples include but are not limited to efficiency improvements, idle reduction, electronic systems to reduce wait times and optimized scheduling. Nominees should be able to demonstrate they can sustain these operational changes (and emissions reductions) in the long term. Applications for this award category will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Innovation and uniqueness of operations to reduce air pollution *(40 points)*
- Direct/indirect air pollutant emissions reductions, with focus on diesel particulate matter, oxides of nitrogen, and oxides of sulfur, with quantitative data if possible *(25 points)*
- Ability to address an existing air pollution problem or existing need *(10 points)*
- Sustainability of positive outcomes *(15 points)*
- Cost-effectiveness of the project *(10 points)*

Significant Early Action to Reduce Air Pollutant Emissions

This award recognizes companies that have developed and implemented programs to reduce emissions before they were required to do so under law or the CAAP. Such companies should be able to show they were industry leaders in tackling air pollution. Nominees should be able to demonstrate they can sustain these programs (and emissions reductions) in the long term. Applications for this award category will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Direct/indirect air pollutant emissions reductions with focus on diesel particulate matter, oxides of nitrogen, and oxides of sulfur, with quantitative data if possible *(50 points)*
- Level of significance of air quality problem addressed by significant early action *(15 points)*
- Applicability to other port sources or categories (i.e. early action can be replicated or implemented by other port operators/organizations) *(15 points)*
- Sustainability of positive outcomes *(20 points)*

Nominations should include detailed information about the candidate's clean air efforts that demonstrate how their project or program meets the above listed criteria. Organizations (from either port) that best meet the above criteria, by consensus of the judging panel, will be selected to receive awards. An awards ceremony will be held in summer 2010 to honor the selected award recipients.

Nomination Submittal Instructions

The CAAP Award Nomination Application must consist of the following:

- Port CAAP Award Nomination Form
- Project/Program Summary

The application must not exceed five (5) typewritten pages, including the nomination form. Additional supporting material such as photos or brochures may also be submitted, and they do not count toward the page limit. Submit one copy of your entry package.

All CAAP Award Nomination Applications are to due to the appropriate port by **Friday, May 14, 2009, at 4:00 p.m.** Applications can also be completed and submitted online at <http://www.cleanairactionplan.org>.

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2010 CAAP Award Nomination Form

Please provide all the information requested in the tables below.

NOMINEE CONTACT INFORMATION	
Name of Key Contact	
Title	
Port Location (POLA or POLB)	
Company	
Address	
Telephone	
Fax Number	
Email Address	
Company Website	

PERSON OR ORGANIZATION SUBMITTING NOMINATION (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)	
Name	
Affiliation or Company	
Address	
Telephone	
Email Address	

PROJECT/PROGRAM INFORMATION	
Title	
Brief Description	

Indicate the award category you believe best fits your program/project:

- Air Quality Improvement Leadership at the Corporate Level
- Innovative Air Quality Improvement Technologies
- Innovative Operations that Improve Air Quality
- Significant Early Action to Reduce Air Pollutant Emissions

Please submit your application (nomination form and project/program summary) to the appropriate port contact by mailing or emailing your application to:

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Long Beach, CA 90802
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Port of Los Angeles
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San Pedro, CA 90731
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lwunder@portla.org

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