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Great Lakes Region Welcomes SecurePort® 2009 Conference on June 1, Hosted by Detroit/Wayne County Port Authority

WHAT: Hosted by the Detroit/Wayne County Port Authority (DWCPA), SecurePort® 2009 will provide interactive panel discussions, highlighting port and government executives, and industry partners. The conference will feature presentations from, and again include several hours of Open Forum discussions with, top industry and government decision-makers representing a broad range of interests in the marine transportation system, including:

- Rear Admiral Peter Neffenger, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Ninth Coast Guard District
- The Honorable John Jamian - President, Jamian McElroy & Hamlin, LLC; and Former Acting Maritime Administrator, U.S. Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation
- Ross Ashley - Assistant Administrator, Grant Programs Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, U.S. Department of Homeland Security

WHY: SecurePort® 2009 5th Annual Western Hemispheric Port Security Conference and Trade Exhibition comes to Detroit for the first time to turn a positive spotlight on the city, the port and the Great Lakes region. Understanding that transportation throughout the Great Lakes, St. Lawrence Seaway, and surrounding U.S. states and Canadian provinces is vitally important to our economies and security, makes this a must attend event.

WHEN: June 1-3, 2009:

June 1, 12:00pm – 7:00pm
June 2, 7:30am – 7:00pm
June 3, 7:30am – 1:00pm

Attendance Fee: \$995 Standard Early Bird Rate
 \$795 Concession Early Bird Rate (Available ONLY to verified Port Authorities, Terminal Operators, and Government/Military Employees)

WHERE: The Atheneum Suite Hotel and Conference Center,
1000 Brush Avenue, Detroit, MI 48226
Phone: (313) 962-2323

Special hotel rate of \$139/night is available to event attendees until hotel has reached maximum capacity. The Atheneum honors Government/Military rates at \$107/night

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