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Meeting Date: January 11, 2017 | Meeting Location: Maher Training Room, Elizabeth, NJ

Attendees: Molly Campbell, John Nardi, Gary Cross, John Atkins, Frank Grossi, Jim Mara, Tom Adamski, Jeff Bader, Steve Schulein, Nicholas Picinich (on behalf of Bill Shea), Jon Donnelly, Pat Hackett, Jakub Rowinski (on behalf of Anne Strauss-Wieder), Mike McGuinness, Mike Wilson, Thorkild Hove, Adele Fasano, Bethann Rooney, Amanda Valdes

Excused: David Cicalese, Jeff Evanoff, Randy Bayles, Wilby Whitt, Jeff Flumignan, Dennis Daggett, Phil Connors, Keith Lovetro

Guests: Bob LaMura, Dan Pastore, Nick Raspanti

Agenda:

1.) Welcoming Remarks
2.) State of the Port
   a. YTD Figures through November
3.) Implementation Team Updates (as necessary)
   a. Equipment
   b. Customer Care
   c. Gate Operations
   d. Workforce Development Implementation
4.) Old Business
   a. Overview of EPA and PA Listening Session
5.) Open Forum
6.) Next Steps and Action Items

Welcoming Remarks:

- A challenging year ahead of us with the completion of the Bayonne Bridge Navigational Clearance Project, changing alliances and consolidations
- Discussion of today’s JOC article regarding the FMC’s rejection of Port of New York/New Jersey Equipment Optimization Discussion Agreement
  - New Discussion Agreement will be submitted to address FMC’s concerns
  - Lack of the agreement does not impact our ability to move forward with CPP initiatives

State of the Port:

- November volumes up 5.5% over 2015 - A record month
- December rail best ever
  - 2016 rail lifts 3.4% higher than 2015
- Anticipating 2017 to begin on a strong note
- Discussed possibility of earlier monthly reporting to stay in line with other ports
Implementation Team Updates:

Equipment
- Emphasis on moving forward with solutions for a chassis pool so that the port is able to handle the arrival of larger ships, changes in alliances, etc.
- Issues remain regarding governance of the pool
  - Must ensure that one IEP doesn’t have unfair influence over the pool
- NYSA and PA holding meetings with IEPs to further discuss

Customer Care
- Unable to collect and report on certain KPIs as not all MTOs are willing to provide
- PA continues to collect and report on Trouble Tickets, Gate Moves, Dwell, and Import Inventory

Gate Operations
- GCT Bayonne has implemented testing of appointment system on Sundays from 6am-8am
  - Appointment window hours have shown a 38% improvement in turn times
  - Appointments have also resulted in better utilization of equipment and technology
  - Trucking community has provided positive feedback
  - Will continue to work with the industry to gain their compliance during appointment hours
- GPS/Geo-fencing data is under review and will be compiled to provide average turn times

Workforce Development
- Sub-committees have been formed and have developed short and long term goals
  - Education and Curriculum Awareness
    - Short term – Attend local Board of Education meetings to evaluate community interest in developing a supply chain/logistics curriculum
    - Long term – Implementation of curriculum
  - Job Bank Development
    - Short term – Create fact sheet outlining careers throughout the supply chain
    - Long term – Develop job bank similar to Council for Airport Opportunity; Participate in events like Port Industry Day, Seamen’s Church sponsored events, museum exhibits, etc
    - CPP members asked to provide information on available internship or career opportunities
    - Online job bank could be ready for launch in 6-12 months
      - Proposed job fair for Spring 2017 while website is under development to emphasize commitment to hiring

Old Business:
- Overview of EPA and PA Environmental Listening Session December 8th
  - Environmental issues in port will continue
    - Industry must find a way to conduct business while being environmentally responsible
  - Attended by approximately 100 people
    - Comments made by approximately 30 people on the record included “soft” items like tree planting and parks.
    - Goal for all was to reduce emissions and a continued emphasis on life and health risks to host communities
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- PA provided presentation of its Clean Air Strategy
- Next steps include development of a committee to address action items discussed
- Discussions with EPA to restructure Clean Air Group
  - CPP will provide updates on progress of initiatives

Open Forum:
- Group suggested putting together a report that would identify anticipated changes in cargo movement within the Port
- Discussed possibility of processing lashers and mechanics already in the pipeline to alleviate labor shortage
- BCOs are purchasing their own chassis in response to current environment
- Port Hackathon scheduled for January 20th to 22nd
  - 40 participants registered
  - Still need jurors or mentors
- Driver miss classification
  - This week’s vote was changed to discussion only
  - Tentative dates for bill to go to committee for vote
- CBP Reimbursable Agreements
  - CES’s and MTOs on Port are now participating
    - Agreements provide CBP the flexibility to allocate more resources
    - There are now three application review periods – February, June, and October
- CBP Aqua Lane Pilot Program underway, allowing C-TPAT certified containers and marine terminals to pre-clear cargo 12 hours prior to estimated arrival instead of having to wait for a CBP officer to board and clear the ship

Action Items/Deliverables for Next Meeting:
- PA to provide examples of aggregated KPIs to MTOs
- Develop timeline for deliverables re: job fairs and online job bank