

San Pedro Chamber of Commerce announces formation of clean maritime technology center.

The San Pedro and Wilmington Chambers of Commerce have announced the formation of a clean maritime technology center focused on economic, environmental, and social sustainability. The focused on the "green" and clean technologies and innovations needed by the Ports of Los Angeles/Long Beach, port tenants and worldwide maritime shipping industries.

San Pedro, California (PRWEB) December 5, 2008 - A coalition of the San Pedro and Wilmington Chambers of Commerce (The San Pedro Bay Port Technologies Development Coalition) has established a clean maritime technology center focused on the "green" and clean technologies and innovations needed by the Ports of Los Angeles/Long Beach, port tenants and worldwide maritime shipping industries.

With the attention placed on global warming, air pollution, clean energy and traffic congestion worldwide, innovative technological solutions to these growing maritime problems are in high demand. This urgent need requires immediate action. The clean maritime technology center, through its singular focus and built-in customer base, is designed to find, develop, mentor and assist existing and emerging companies in providing deliverable solutions to the Ports and Intermodal communities, as well as developing an export market for those maritime technology innovations.

“This project is a classic example of "turning a surplus of lemons into lemonade" ...taking maritime problems, finding solutions and profiting business, the Port, the community, the state, the nation and the world...” stated Herb Zimmer, Chairman of the San Pedro Bay Port Technologies Coalition.

“This project is one of the most exciting things the chamber is doing right now, it hits on all three elements of our mission ... economic sustainability through the creation of new well-paid jobs; environmental sustainability through cleaner air, reduced traffic and energy waste; and social sustainability through new educational resources and a more secure port and community.” San Pedro Chamber CEO Camilla Townsend.

The clean maritime development center will consist of office facility in downtown San Pedro focused on business incubation and assistance, and a light industrial facility in north San Pedro and a follow-on industrial test center in Wilmington focused on product development. The facilities are envisioned as core elements in what is projected to eventually be a multi-billion dollar maritime green technologies business cluster.

For additional information regarding the San Pedro Bay Port Technologies Coalition, contact Herb Zimmer, or visit www.sanpedrochamber.com.

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